



The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

REGULAR MEETING (#05-22)

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

The public may attend in person or electronically. The electronic link will be available on our website on Tuesday.

Traditional Lands Acknowledgement Statement: We acknowledge and respect the indigenous peoples within whose traditional lands we are meeting today.

AGENDA:

1. Call to Order

2. Adoption of Agenda

RECOMMENDATION:

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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 and a Public Question period.

3. New Business

4. Delegations - NIL

5. Adoption of the Minutes

(1) RECOMMENDATION:

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That the draft minutes of Regular Meeting #04-22 of Tuesday, February 22, 2022 be adopted as presented.

(2) RECOMMENDATION:

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That the draft minutes of Special Meeting of Wednesday, February 23, 2022 be adopted as presented.

(3) RECOMMENDATION:

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That the draft minutes of the Committee-of-the-Whole Meeting of Monday, February 28, 2022 be adopted as presented.

6. Referrals from Delegations - NIL

7. Referrals from Prior Meetings - NIL

8. Policy Development & Review - NIL

9. Bylaw Review & Development

(1) Council Procedures Amendment Bylaw #704, 2021

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RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the “*Council Procedures Amendment Bylaw #704, 2021*” be given first reading.

That the “*Council Procedures Amendment Bylaw #704, 2021*” be given second and third reading.

(2) Officers Amendment Bylaw #738, 2022

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the “*Officers Amendment Bylaw #738, 2022*” be given first reading.

That the “*Officers Amendment Bylaw #738, 2022*” be given second and third reading.

10. Accounts Payable

RECOMMENDATION:

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That Council receive for information the list of accounts payable cheques and electronic fund transfers from February 18, 2022 to March 3, 2022 totaling \$41,411.49.

11. Correspondence Requiring a Council Decision

(1) Salmo & Area Supportive Housing Discussion Re: Permissive Exemption Request - #19

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RECOMMENDATION:

That Council approve the request of the Salmo & Area Supportive Housing to grant them a one-year permissive tax exemption due to their inability to confirm receiving the audited financial statements in time for the exemption deadline of July 15.

(2) Salmo Valley Public Library Re: Request to Support Resolution for Increased Funding to Public Libraries at UBCM - #20

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RECOMMENDATION:

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.

- (3) **Salmo & District Arts Council Re: Letter of Support for Grant Application - #21** Pg.31

RECOMMENDATION:

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.

12. Correspondence for Information Only

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive for information the following correspondence from:

- (1) **Town of Oliver Re: BC Wildfires Petition - Letter of Support - #17** Pg.37
(Resolution to support original request made at Jan.11/22 council meeting)
- (2) **City of Maple Ridge Re: Request to Provincial Minister of Health to Allow All Individuals Access to Civic Recreation Facilities - #18** Pg.45

13. Member Reports & Inquiries

- (1) **Councillor Endersby**
(2) **Councillor Heatlie**
(3) **Councillor Huser**
(4) **Councillor Segall**
(5) **Mayor Lockwood**

RECOMMENDATION:

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That the verbal and written reports of Mayor and Council be received for information.

14. Public Question Period

15. Adjournment

The next regularly scheduled Council meeting will be on March 22, 2022



REGULAR MEETING #04-22 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, February 22, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

In Person:

Mayor Diana Lockwood
Councillor Jennifer Endersby
Councillor Jonathon Heatlie
Councillor Jacquie Huser
Councillor Farrell Segall
CAO Anne Williams
Members of the Public - 1

Electronically:

CFO Colin McClure
Members of the Public – 2

CALL TO ORDER:

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

AGENDA:

R1-04-22

Moved and seconded, that the draft agenda of Regular Meeting #04-22 of Tuesday, February 22, 2022 be adopted as amended from *Council Procedure Bylaw No. 663, 2014 Schedule "B"* to include a Utility Budget Discussion section, New Business section, Bylaw Review & Development section, and a Public Question Period.

Carried.

UTILITY BUDGET DISCUSSION:

R2-04-22
2022 Utility Budget –
CFO Colin McClure

CFO McClure reviewed the utility budget (water, sewer, garbage) and proposed rates for 2022. The proposed increases are 2% for water and 3% each for sewer and garbage, resulting in an overall increase of \$26 per household.

He suggested that Gas Tax funds could be used for a new aerator and that there is enough money in the reserve fund if not. It was noted that staff time could not be covered from Gas Tax funds.

Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the draft 2022 utility budget for discussion (see *Appendix A*).

Carried.

DELEGATIONS: NIL

NEW BUSINESS: NIL

MINUTES:

- R3-04-22 Cemetery Working Group - May 29, 2019 Moved and seconded, that the minutes of the Cemetery Working Group meeting of Wednesday, May 29, 2019 be received for information. Carried.
- R4-04-22 Cemetery Working Group - June 4, 2019 Moved and seconded, that the minutes of the Cemetery Working Group meeting of Tuesday, June 4, 2019 be received for information. Carried.
- R5-04-22 Cemetery Working Group – October 28, 2019 & November 15, 2019 Moved and seconded, that the minutes of the Cemetery Working Group meeting of Monday, October 28, 2019 and November 5, 2019 be received for information. Carried.
- R6-04-22 Regular Meeting February 8, 2022 Moved and seconded, that the draft minutes of the Regular Council meeting #03-22 of Tuesday, February 8, 2022 be adopted as presented. Carried.
- R7-04-22 Special Meeting February 14, 2022 Moved and seconded, that the draft minutes of the Special meeting of Monday, February 14, 2022 be adopted as presented. Carried.

REFERRALS FROM DELEGATIONS: NIL

REFERRALS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS:

- R8-04-22 Cemetery Working Group - Discussion on next steps Council discussed the next steps for the Cemetery Working Group and the Memorial Wall. It was agreed that in the interests of fairness and transparency other options should be solicited. Moved and seconded, that Council directs staff to create an ad for the Village website that will be posted for two weeks using the original rendering for a wood design concept and cost. Carried.
- R9-04-22 Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre Re: CBT Outdoor Revitalization Application - #16 Moved and seconded, that Council provide a letter of support the Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre’s CBT Outdoor Revitalization grant application for a marquee tent, native species gardens, food garden, and updated siding and mural on the exterior of the building adjacent to the gazebo. The Village of Salmo will partner with the Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre on this project with the Centre managing the project and project funds. Carried.
Councillor Segall recorded as opposed.

Recess/Return Council recessed at 7:58 p.m. and returned at 8:01 p.m.

BYLAW REVIEW & DEVELOPMENT:

R10-04-22 Moved and seconded, that the “*Municipal Utilities User Fees Bylaw #737, 2022*” be given first reading. Carried.
Municipal Utilities User Fees Bylaw #737, 2022 -
First Reading

R11-04-22 Moved and seconded, that the “*Municipal Utilities User Fees Bylaw #737, 2022*” be given second and third reading. Carried.
Municipal Utilities User Fees Bylaw #737, 2022 -
Second & Third Reading

R12-04-22 Moved and seconded, that Council appoint Brandy Jessup as Chief Election Officer for conducting the 2022 local election with power to appoint other election officials as required for the administration and conduct of the 2022 local election. Carried.
Election Officials Bylaw #537, 2005 – Chief Election Officer

R13-04-22 Moved and seconded, that Council appoint Alana Lins as Deputy Chief Election Officer for the 2022 local election. Carried.
Election Officials Bylaw #537, 2005 – Deputy Chief Election Officer

OPERATIONAL REPORTS:

R14-04-22 Councillor Endersby noted that it was nice to have two lanes operational on her street and offered kudos to the Civic Works crew.
Civic Works

Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the written report provided by Civic Works Foreman Fred Paton for the period of January 21, 2022 to February 17, 2022 (see *Appendix B*). Carried.

Trackless Maintenance and Repair Report and Discussion Council discussed the RTC on the Trackless equipment. It was agreed that a new engine for the 2002 model would be preferable to a new, used, machine.

R15-04-22 Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the written report dated February 1, 2022 provided by Fire Chief David Hearn for the period of January 2022. (see *Appendix B*). Carried.
Fire Department

Council agreed that kudos were in order for our first responders who put their lives at risk answering calls.

Moved and seconded, that Council send them a goodie package or pizzas, valued up to \$200, for practice night with a card from Council.
Carried

Bylaw Enforcement NIL

R16-04-22
Administration Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the written report as presented by CAO Williams (see *Appendix B*).
Carried.

It was agreed that at a special meeting Civic Works staff member Denny Hleucka, using the existing drawings, would review and explain to Council how the aerator and clarifier systems work. The CAO will arrange the meeting.

Councillor Heatlie enquired if operating the second racetrack solves the odour problem or not. Denny will address this as well.

Council discussed the Zoning Bylaw.

Moved and seconded, that the CAO pass the Zoning Bylaw to another staff person to handle.

Defeated 4-1.

Grant Application: ICIP The CAO explained that applying for the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP), Environmental Quality stream had turned out to be not feasible as the rigorous and multiple program parameters could not be met for an application.

Strategic Plan NIL

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

R17-04-22
Accounts Payable Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the list of accounts payable cheques and electronic fund transfers February 4, 2022 to February 17, 2022 totaling \$99,674.25.
Carried.

It was requested that on the AP reports/cheque descriptions that the year of the vehicle being maintained be noted.

R18-04-22
Treasurer's Report Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the Treasurer's Report for January 2022.
Carried.

Councillor Segall enquired if the Village had a process for what to do if someone wanted to be paid in cash as they had no bank account? CAO Williams will look into this with the CFO.



SPECIAL MEETING FEBRUARY 23, 2022 MINUTES

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council of the Village of Salmo held electronically on Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Electronically:
Mayor Diana Lockwood
Councillor Jennifer Endersby
Councillor Jonathon Heatlie
Councillor Jacquie Huser
Councillor Farrell Segall
CAO Anne Williams
Members of the Public – 0

CALL TO ORDER: The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

COUNCIL PROCEDURE BYLAW #663, 2014

R1-0223-22 Moved and seconded, that Council waive the requirements of *Council Procedure Bylaw #663, 2014* Section 8 Electronic Meetings, Parts (4) & (5), to allow all Council members to participate via electronic means and that provision be made for members of the public to listen electronically to the Council meeting.

Carried.

AGENDA:

R2-0223-22 Moved and seconded, that the draft agenda of the Special Meeting of Wednesday, February 23, 2022 be adopted as presented.

Carried.

BYLAW REVIEW & DEVELOPMENT:

R3-0223-22 Moved and seconded, that the "*Municipal Utilities User Fees Bylaw Municipal Utilities User #737, 2022*", having had three readings, be reconsidered and adopted.

R4-0223-22 *Municipal Utilities User Fees Bylaw #737, 2022 - Adoption*

Carried.

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD: NIL

ADJOURNMENT: Moved and seconded, that the meeting be adjourned at 7:04.

R4-0223-22

Carried.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Special Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, February 23, 2022.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer



COTW MEETING FEBRUARY 28, 2022 MINUTES

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Council of the Village of Salmo held at the Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre at 206 Seventh Street on Monday, February 28, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.

PRESENT:

In person:

Mayor Diana Lockwood (minutes)
Councillor Jonathon Heatlie
Councillor Jacquie Huser
CW Staff Denny Hluecka
Members of the Public – 0

Electronically:

Councillor Farrell Segall

Regrets:

Councillor Jennifer Endersby
CAO Anne Williams

CALL TO ORDER:

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

AERATOR & CLARIFIER PRESENTATION:

Presentation

Civic Works staff member Denny Hluecka reviewed how the aerator and clarifier systems work and the proposed maintenance/replacement needs and costs.

Which will benefit the reduction of odor – Clarifier or Aerator? Aerator – we have 4 aerators – 2 in each racetrack.

Are we replacing all 4 aerators? Yes.

Is it replacing the whole aerator or a part? The whole aerator – upgrading to 10hp from 5hp.

What does it look like? Is it a flat type in the base of the racetrack? No that is a different style we would replace what we have, not change the type – currently it stirs and aerates at the same time.

Are we doing any excavation or racetrack replacement? No.

If we go ahead with these upgrades – what growth in population could it handle? That projection hasn't been done. Mayor Lockwood mentioned that there was some documentation that she had read that said it could handle 500 more population, no one is sure of that without proper projections.

The supplier company is Aerator Industry International.

Can we replace 2 aerators now and 2 at a later date? We will need to pull wire out to the racetrack so it would be better to do all 4 at the same time – might be able to do 2 but prefer to do all 4 at once.

Are we looking at running both racetracks from now on? Yes, we have to, the permit says that if a design is in place, you must use it.

Clarifier information: Currently have 2 clarifiers smaller one (#1) is not being used because it is falling apart – bigger one (#2) is pumped up into it and is the one we are currently operating.

We would be replacing everything mechanical within the clarifier – weir is like Swiss cheese and the stir bars have been fixed 6 times since Denny has

been here.

#1 Clarifier needs to be fixed; we have been running only one clarifier for many years – #1 could be run in case of an emergency but should be operating full time.

Did the Inspector give a timeline on getting it operating? No – the main concern is effluent quality, and the quality is ok right now – if we had to run just #1 we would fail the quality test as it isn't efficient.

Actizyme – has it been effective, and would it be needed after these upgrades? Yes, it is effective especially for fatbergs, yes, we would still use it in the spring/summer adding it into sewer lines (ex. On 9th street).

The system will be better once we stop the seesaw.

Can Civic Works do the work for these upgrades? Yes.

Discussed the use of gas tax money and that the work would need to be hired out when using gas tax funds. Discussed the possibility of Denny putting together a speculation of the job - Denny has done one and has given it to the CAO, it is an hourly breakdown, very speculative when it came to the costs, just received some of the quotes today.

Out of the 2 upgrades which one do you feel confident that civic works could do easier? Aerator – comes assembled – aerator \$169,807 and clarifier \$89,000.

If they go down at any time, would it affect the system? No just stagger it between racetracks.

When do you feel the best time to do the work would be? Need good weather, could possibly push to the fall, but would prefer not to as it is too close to the rainy season.

Would end of September or beginning of October work? Preferably not.

Do they have to be done at the same time? No.

However, when it rains and there is an infiltration of water a 2nd clarifier running would add the capacity needed to deal with it. Staff highly recommend doing them together.

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD: NIL

ADJOURNMENT: Moved and seconded, that the meeting be adjourned at 5:35 p.m.
CW01-0228-22 Carried.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the COTW Meeting of Council held on Monday, February 28, 2022.

Mayor

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SALMO

BYLAW #704

A BYLAW TO AMEND THE PROCEDURES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

WHEREAS Section 128 of the *Community Charter* requires the establishment of procedures to be followed for meetings of Council and Council committees in conducting their business;

WHEREAS Council has determined that the Village of Salmo Procedures Bylaw #663, 2014 should be amended to update procedures for electronic meetings;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Village of Salmo, in open general meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. AMENDMENTS

- 1.1. Schedule A – Revised PART 2, Section 2 – New definitions as detailed.
- 1.2. Schedule B – Revised PART 2, Section 8 Electronic Meetings of Council Procedures Bylaw #663, 2014.

2. CITATION

- 2.1. This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "**COUNCIL PROCEDURES AMENDMENT BYLAW #704, 2021**".

3. ENACTMENT

- 3.1. If any section, subsection or clause of this Bylaw is held to be invalid by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalid portion shall be severed and shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Bylaw.
- 3.2. This Bylaw shall come into full force and effect on the day of adoption.

READ A FIRST TIME	this __ day of __, 2022
READ A SECOND TIME	this __ day of __, 2022
READ A THIRD TIME	this __ day of __, 2022
RECONSIDERED AND FINALLY ADOPTED	this __ day of __, 2022

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

I HEREBY CERTIFY THIS TO BE A TRUE COPY OF THE VILLAGE OF SALMO "COUNCIL PROCEDURES AMENDMENT BYLAW #704, 2021".

Chief Administrative Officer

SCHEDULE A

REVISIONS TO COUNCIL PROCEDURES BYLAW #663 – PART 2, Section 2

Section 2 – Definitions is revised to include the following new definitions:

“Electronic meetings” means, meetings where all members of a Council or Council Committee may participate electronically (e.g. videoconference, audioconference or telephone).

“Electronic participation” means, allowing for a hybrid meeting where some members of Council or a Council Committee attend in person, and other members attend by electronic means.

SCHEDULE B

REVISIONS TO COUNCIL PROCEDURES BYLAW #663 – PART 2, Section 8

Section 8 - Electronic Meetings is revised as follows:

- 1) Provided the conditions set out in subsection 128(1) of the *Community Charter* are met:
 - a) a Regular Council meeting may be conducted by means of visual and audio or audio electronic or other communication facilities if:
 - i) members of the public are allowed to access the meeting electronically.

Special Council Meetings

- 2) Provided the conditions set out in subsection 128.1(2) of the *Community Charter* are met:
 - a) a special Council meeting may be conducted by means of visual and audio or audio electronic or other communication facilities if:
 - i) a matter requires a resolution of Council and a quorum of Council cannot be present,
 - ii) a deadline attached to a matter and a quorum of Council cannot be present.
 - iii) a Public Health Order or other Emergency Order is in place disallowing or discouraging gathering in person.
 - iv) members of the public are allowed to access the meeting electronically.

Council Committee Meetings

- 3) Provided the conditions set out in subsection 128.2(2) of the *Community Charter* are met:
 - a) a Council committee meeting may be conducted by means of visual and audio or audio electronic or other communication facilities if:
 - i) members of the public are allowed to access the meeting electronically.

Electronic participation by members in Council and Council Committee meetings

- 4) Provided the conditions set out in subsection 128.3(1) of the *Community Charter* are met:
 - a) A Council, Special Council or Council Committee meeting may allow a mix of electronic and in-person participation.
 - b) A member of Council or a Council Committee who is unable to attend in person at a regular Council meeting, a Special Council meeting or a Council Committee meeting may participate in the meeting by means of electronic or other communication facilities.
 - c) All electronic meetings must be conducted in accordance with the relevant sections of the Council Procedures Bylaw.
- 5) Except for any part of the Council meeting, Special Council meeting or Council Committee meeting that is closed to the public, there must be provision made for the public present at a meeting to hear, or watch and hear, the participation of the member who is unable to attend the meeting in person.
- 6) Members of Council or a Council Committee who are participating in a meeting conducted in accordance with this section are deemed to be present at the meeting.

- 7) As per PART 2, Sections 6 and 7, Council must provide advance public notice of the way in which the meeting is to be conducted by means of electronic or other communication facilities.
- 8) The member presiding at a special Council or Council Committee meeting may participate electronically.
- 9) All members of Council at one time may participate at a council meeting under sections 8(1) and 8(2).
- 10) All members of a Council Committee at one time may participate at a Council Committee meeting under section 8(3).

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SALMO

BYLAW #738

A BYLAW TO AMEND THE OFFICERS BYLAW

WHEREAS section 154 of the *Community Charter* allows for the delegation of Council authority and section 34 of the *Cannabis Control and Licensing Act* authorizes the Council of the Village of Salmo to delegate its powers and duties under section 33 of this Act,

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Village of Salmo has determined that the *Officers Bylaw #667, 2015* should be amended to allow the Chief Administrative Officer/Corporate Officer the power to approve cannabis applications;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Village of Salmo, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. AMENDMENTS

1.1. Section 3 of the *Officers Bylaw #667, 2015* be amended to include the following:

That Council hereby delegates authority to the Chief Administrative Officer/Corporate Officer the power to provide comments and recommendations to the Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch (LCRB) on behalf of the village regarding applications for cannabis retail stores as well as approval for such applications.

2. CITATION

2.1. This by-law shall be known and cited for all purposes as the Village of Salmo "**OFFICERS AMENDMENT BYLAW #738, 2022**".

3. ENACTMENT

3.1. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Bylaw is for any reason held to be invalid by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalid portion(s) shall be severed, and the part(s) that is (are) invalid shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Bylaw.

3.2. This Bylaw shall be considered to have come into force and effect upon the day adoption.

READ A FIRST TIME	this __ day of __, 2022
READ A SECOND TIME	this __ day of __, 2022
READ A THIRD TIME	this __ day of __, 2022
RECONSIDERED AND FINALLY ADOPTED	this __ day of __, 2022

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

I HEREBY CERTIFY THIS TO BE A TRUE COPY OF THE VILLAGE OF SALMO "OFFICERS AMENDMENT BYLAW #738, 2022".

Chief Administrative Officer

Village of Salmo
Accounts Payable February 18 to March 3, 2022

Cheque #	Pay Date	Vendor Name	Description	Paid Amount
015234	2022-03-03	643289 B.C. Ltd	Reservoir Road Maintenance	\$514.50
015236	2022-03-03	Accura Alarms Security Service Ltd.	Alarm Monitoring	\$52.50
015235	2022-03-03	Ace Courier Systems	Water Sample Shipping	\$23.78
015238	2022-03-03	Billy's Auto Service	FD Fast Attack, 1999 International, Rescue Van Maintenance	\$1,748.83
015237	2022-03-03	Brandt Tractor Ltd.	1998 Loader Maintenance	\$169.62
607711	2022-03-02	Collabria	FD/Office/CW/Elections Supplies/Training	\$2,530.92
015239	2022-03-03	Commissionaires British Columbia	Bylaw Enforcement	\$531.70
015228	2022-02-24	Fortis BC - Natural Gas	Natural Gas Expenses	\$1,395.37
015243	2022-03-03	Fortis BC - Natural Gas	Natural Gas Expenses	\$32.61
015240	2022-03-03	Fortis BC Inc.	Electricity Expenses	\$3,259.40
015241	2022-03-03	Kokanee Fire & Safety Ltd	Annual Fire Safety Inspections	\$1,431.81
Pre-Authorized Debit	2022-03-02	Municipal Finance Authority of BC	Short Term Fixed Payment	\$2,450.00
Pre-Authorized Debit	2022-03-01	Royal Bank Central Card Services	Service Fees	\$52.64
015242	2022-03-03	Skyway Hardware (1985) Ltd.	WWTP Maintenance	\$226.00
015244	2022-03-03	Tekavcic, Maya	Jacket Refund	\$68.25
015246	2022-03-03	Waterhouse Environmental Services Corp	WWTP Supplies	\$404.32
015245	2022-03-03	Waterstreet, Alan J.	CW Shop Generator	\$7,000.00
Pre-Authorized Debit	2022-03-01	Western Financial Group (SAL)	Insurance Payment	\$180.07
		Employee Benefits, Reimbursements and Salaries (PP4, Council 1)		\$19,339.17
		Total:		\$41,411.49

Credit Card Details

CW Supplies/Teamviewer Sub.	\$1,651.04
FD GPS Sub./Supplies	\$228.47
Office/Election Supplies	\$604.41
Promo/CW Shipping Exp.	\$47.00
	\$2,530.92

DATE Mar. 3/22
NO 19 TO M&C-MAR8/22
FILE NO 0230-01/1970-03
VILLAGE OF SALMO



RECEIVED

MAR 03 2022

Salmo & Area Supportive Housing Society
P. O. Box 880, 730 Railway Avenue, Salmo, BC V0G 1Z0
(250) 357-2629 salmove@telus.net

February 18, 2022

Village of Salmo Office
423 Davie Street
Salmo, BC
V0G 1Z0

Dear Mayor and Council:

Re: Permissive Exemption Request
Salmo & Area Supportive Housing Society

Council has requested more information from the Salmo & Area Supportive Housing Society (Audited Financial Statement/Notice to Reader) before our request for a permissive exemption is considered.

The Salmo & Area Supportive Housing Society has been actively seeking an accredited firm to perform the Notice to Reader, at this time the firms we have contacted have been unable to give us a timeline on preparing the required documentation.

As we are not sure if the documentation can be prepared by July 15, 2022 (as per Village policy on tax exemptions) the Salmo & Area Supportive Housing Society's Board of Directors are requesting Salmo Village Council reconsider our request without this documentation.

At the very least, we respectfully request at least a one-year exemption in order to give us additional time to prepare the documentation you have requested.

Salmo & Area Supportive Housing Society
730 Railway Ave., Salmo, BC V0G 1Z0

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Once again, we would like to make Council aware that most, if not all, neighbouring municipalities grant permissive exemptions for other similar societies that offer affordable housing, and that any taxation would put an unbearable strain on our resources to keep functioning.

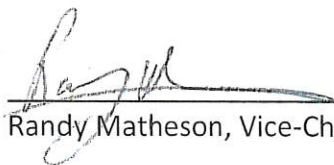
We look forward to a favourable response.

Sincerely,

The Board of Salmo & Area Supportive Housing Society



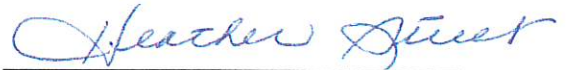
Lorne Hanson, Chair



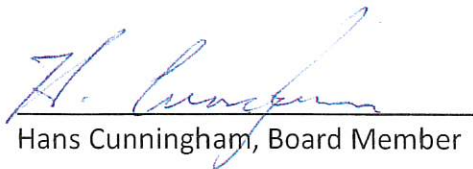
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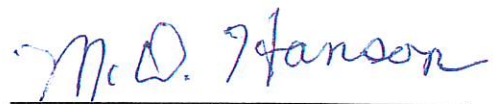
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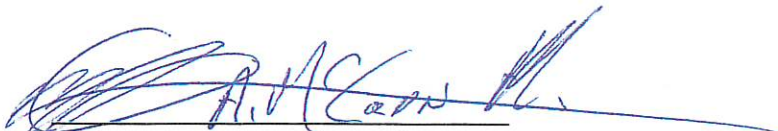
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VILLAGE OF SALMO

Phone/Fax: 250-357-2312
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March 1st, 2022

Attention Salmo Mayor and Council:

On behalf of the Salmo Valley Public Library Board, I am writing you today to request your support. We are asking that our Village Mayor, Councilors, and Regional Director support our Library and all BC Librarians in a resolution for increased funding to public libraries at the upcoming UBCM and remind the Select Standing Committee on Finance and Government Services Report of the recommendations to increase provincial operational funding for public libraries and to provide targeted support for libraries in rural, remote and Indigenous communities.

As in many sectors and society in general, COVID has exposed disparities. For public libraries the pandemic has exemplified the struggle of rural libraries, further entrenching the rural and urban divide. In addition to the pandemic, climatic events such as smoke or evacuations from wildfires, heat dome, extreme cold, and floods also present challenges for our rural librarians to meet to respond to the needs of their community. In comparison, urban and regional library systems have specific staff, contractors, more hours of work, and a greater diversity of community resources available for communities to respond to these events.

To illustrate the impacts of under-funding here are some highlighted challenges of Rural Public Libraries in the Nelson-Creston Provincial Electoral District.

Specific Challenges

1. Capacity and reliance on volunteers: rural libraries not attached to regional systems do not have the capacity (staffing or funding) to fill in the gaps and divides that the pandemic exposed. An example that illustrates this, is the reliance on volunteers to support and deliver library services. Volunteers left during the pandemic (an ongoing issue as many volunteers are seniors), leaving libraries struggling to offer regular services, in addition to the pressure of offering additional services brought on by the pandemic.

Our rural library relies on volunteers to help operate the library:

- Shelving: getting items back on library shelves available for patrons to borrow.
- Checking items in and out and assisting patrons with their accounts and accessing services.
- Supporting programming and events: assisting with children's and senior outreach programs.
- Fundraising: Friends of the Library fundraising efforts provide essential funding Library services.
- Library Director & Staff: volunteer time in order to keep the library operating.

2. Technology

- Access: Libraries are community hubs for access to the internet. Residents come to libraries to use public computers, and access wifi without having to purchase anything. 5% of people in BC do not have home internet and only 38% of rural communities and Indigenous rural communities have access to recommended broadband internet speeds.
- Digital collection demands: To meet the community demands, our digital collections have increased during the pandemic. Trends indicate this will not change. Digital collections often cost three to five times more than physical collections.
- Libraries are helping economic development in rural communities by supporting access to the Internet and technology. Similar to urban libraries, our rural libraries provide technology support, access to online education and training tools, and free online learning platforms. To meet the expectations and the future role of libraries as

community hubs for technology, cuts will need to be made from physical collections and program budgets unless funding is increased.

- Supporting other government agencies: Service BC regularly directs people to the library for assistance with vaccine passports and other (often provincial) government forms. Provincial agency offices are not located in many rural communities and residents in those communities often rely on the public library for assistance with provincial online services.

These examples demonstrate the inability of small rural independent libraries of absorbing unforeseen and ongoing inflationary costs. In these situations, our librarians and Boards must make difficult decisions and cut budgets in other areas where costs are not fixed, such as collections, programs, or hours of service. These cuts directly affect our residents and communities by reducing services.

The Salmo Valley Public Library is asking for the Village of Salmo's support for a resolution to this ongoing provincial funding issue. In a previous email I provided you with a draft template, which was endorsed by the ABCPLD Board to assist those who are interested in participating in this process of providing letters of resolution to UBCM.

Thank you for your consideration and time,



Taylor Caron
SVPL Library Director

DRAFT TEMPLATE:

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 _____ urge the Government of British Columbia to provide long-term sustainable funding for public libraries in BC;

And be it further resolved that the Province ensure that BC Libraries will henceforth receive regular increases to Provincial Government funding in subsequent years.


DATE Mar. 4/22
NO 21 TO MFC- MAR 8/22
FILE NO 0230-20

brandy.jessup@salmo.ca

VILLAGE OF SALMO

From: cao@salmo.ca
Sent: March 4, 2022 11:58 AM
To: brandy.jessup@salmo.ca
Subject: FW: Request for letter of support: Snow sculptures
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From: Cheryl Cook <cheryleileen@gmail.com>
Sent: March 4, 2022 10:52 AM
To: cao@salmo.ca
Subject: Request for letter of support: Snow sculptures

Dear Council,

Due to overwhelming public joy and support of our 2021 snow sculpture "reconnection" by local artist Rommel Habon, the Salmo and District Arts Council (SDAC) is requesting a letter of support for a grant application due March 11 for funding from the Columbia Kootenay Cultural Alliance (CKCA) via their Mentorship and Masterclass grant. We are requesting \$5000. This would provide the opportunity to bring snow sculpture master Peter Vogelaar into our community to mentor Rommel Habon (Salmo) and Fawn Miekkel (Ymir) in the construction of 3 snow sculptures in early 2023. Rommel and Fawn are both dedicated local artists with experience building large scale natural material works.

Having a letter of from the village would indicate to CKCA that there is multiple levels of interest and support in this large public arts project.

We at SDAC feel strongly that bringing our community together with joy and beauty is a necessary undertaking to increase community spirit and unity.

Thank you so much for your consideration.

Please find enclosed examples of Peter Vogelaar's previous works, Rommel Habon's current work and information about the grant in question.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best, Cheryl Cook

Vice Chair Salmo and District Arts Council

ARTS & CULTURE MENTORING / MASTER CLASSES FUNDING POLICIES AND GUIDELINES 2022-23

Before applying

- Read the *Arts & Culture Funding Programs* brochure for a general overview of all CKCA managed grant programs available.
- Read the *Primary Funding Policies and Guidelines* document for general policies (including COVID-19) applicable to all CKCA funding programs to ensure eligibility before starting this application.

Objectives: Assists community or arts groups to provide artistic or cultural mentoring or master classes to emerging professionals. An emerging professional is someone who has specialized training in the field or the skill being taught and is committed to devoting more time to that skill (when possible financially).

Funding eligibility and guidelines

1. Funding is available to groups or organizations. This means proposals must be made by an organization or a group (arts council, band council, or other community, cultural or arts group) and not by the mentor / instructor.
2. The community group/organization does not have to be incorporated (it can be a non-legally registered group, for example). If the group/organization is not registered, the contract will be made out in the name of the primary person responsible for the project, on behalf of the group/organization listed.
3. Projects must involve a mentor / instructor recognized as a professional in their field, or for applications focused on cultural knowledge or practices the mentor / instructor must be an experienced practitioner. Skill level must be clearly outlined in the application materials.
4. Mentors / instructors wanting to apply for funding to offer instruction or classes may apply through the *Arts Funding to Communities* or *Touring* programs.
5. For projects focused on development of artistic skills, the experience level of the learners is a key component of eligibility in this program and should be outlined in the application materials. Arts projects focused on beginner level instruction should apply through *Arts Funding to Communities*.
6. For arts projects, it is usually preferred that the mentor / instructor is external to the organization and / or community, to encourage wider sharing of knowledge.
7. It is preferable to make the benefit of the mentor's knowledge available to as many learners /audience as possible. Partnerships are encouraged.
8. Funding is designed to support projects. Funding is not available for regular operating costs or existing deficits. The CKCA may consider funding the same project again in subsequent years, but this does not guarantee funding for the subsequent year. Applicants must apply again the subsequent year and compete for funding through the regular adjudication process.
9. Funding under this grant program is not available for capital expenses.

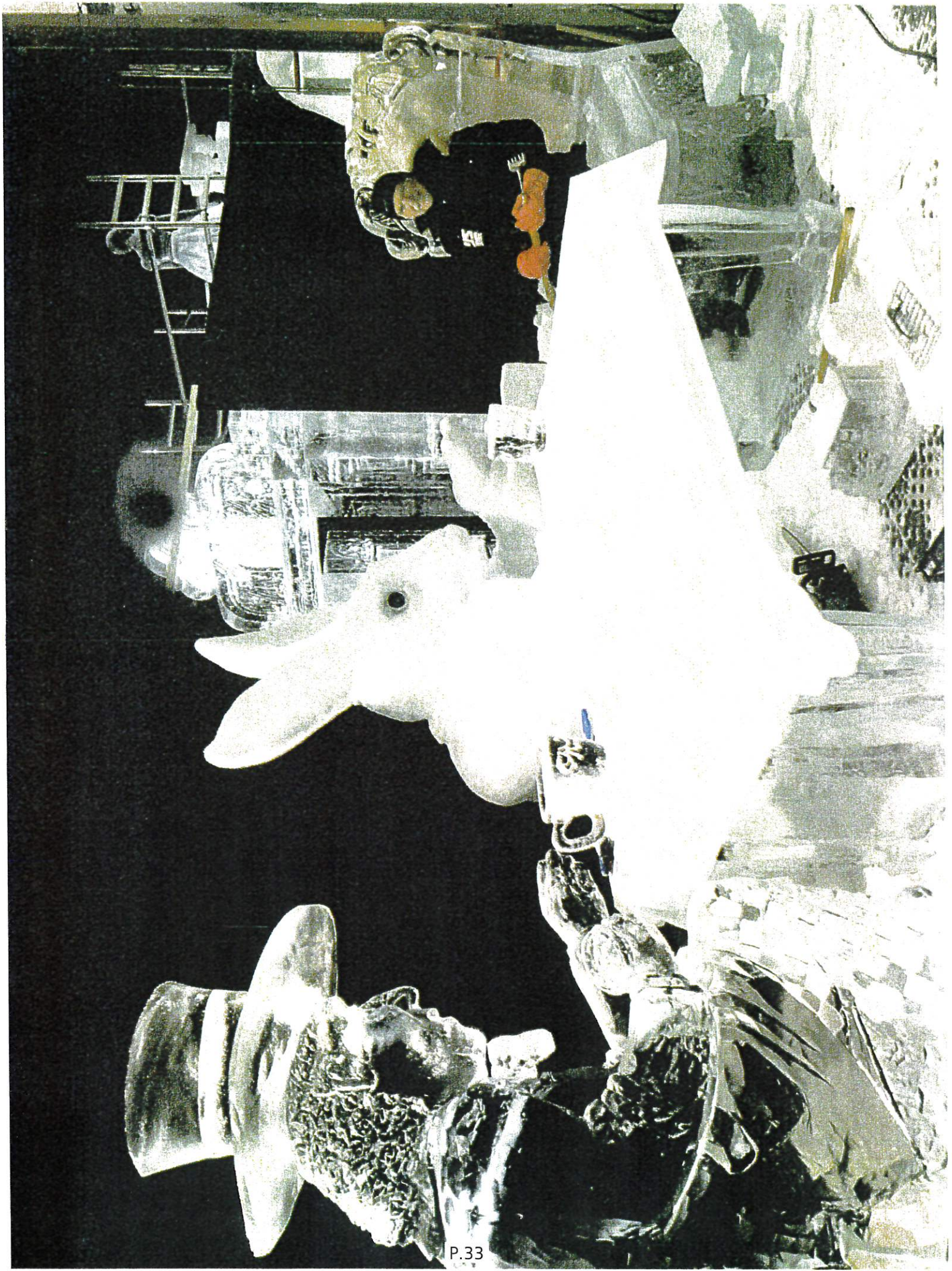
Project Timeframe: Projects must take place between June 1, 2022 and May 31, 2023.

How to apply: Submit *Arts & Culture Mentoring and Master Classes* applications to the Columbia Kootenay Cultural Alliance online at www.basinculture.com.

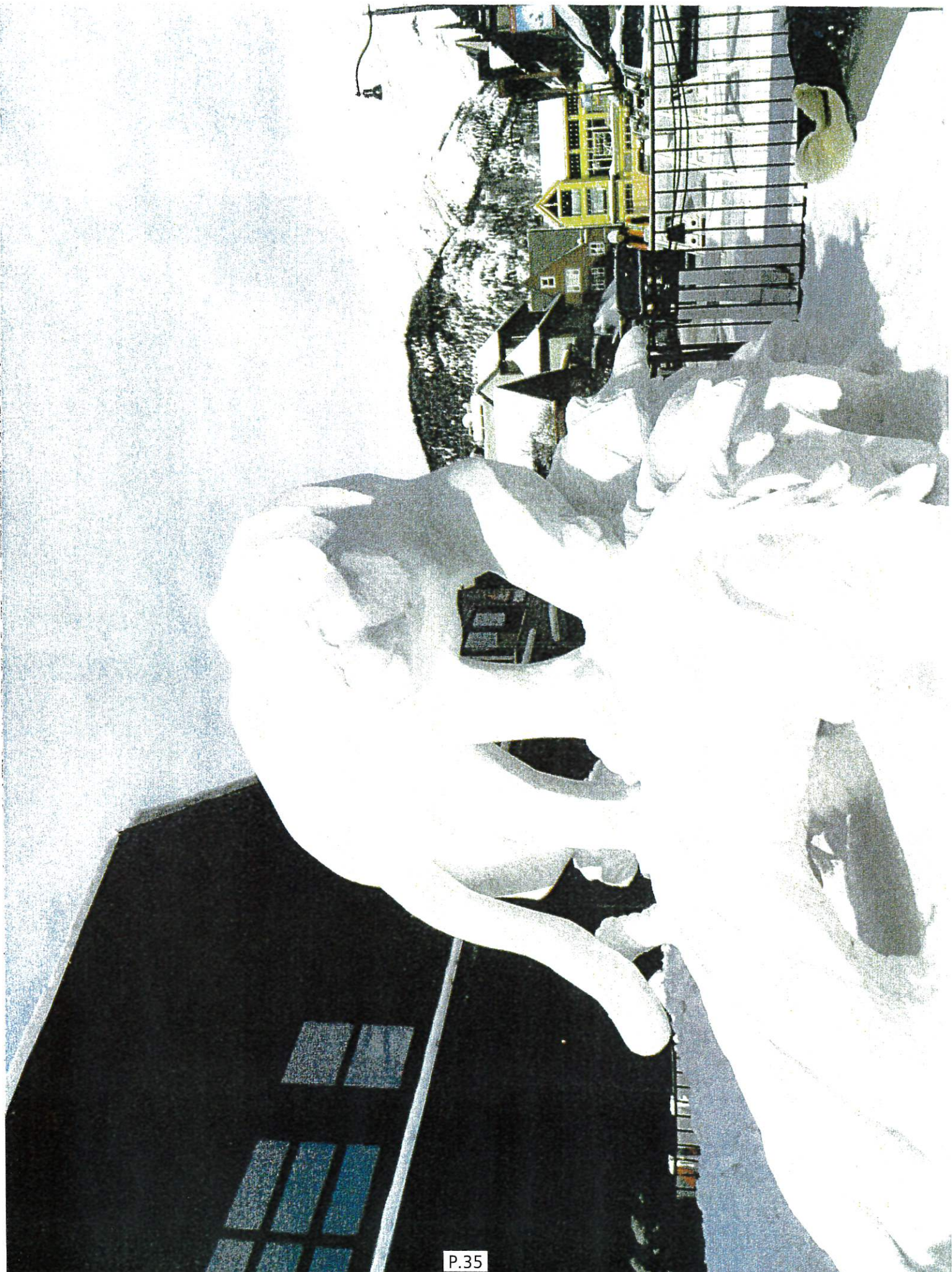
***Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted**, so ensure you begin your online application early enough to complete and submit it before the deadline.

Application deadline: Received by 5:00 pm Pacific Time, March 11, 2022

Maximum request: \$5,000 per project









February 22, 2022

Email: Richard.cannings@parl.gc.ca

Mr. Richard Cannings, MP
South Okanagan-West Kootenay
House of Commons
Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

DATE Feb. 24 / 22
NO 17 TO M&C- MAR. 8/22
FILE NO 0400-60

VILLAGE OF SALMO

Dear Mr. Cannings:

Re: **BC Wildfires Petition – Letter of Support**

At the February 14, 2022 Regular meeting Oliver Council resolved to support the BC Wildfires Petition originally from the District of Lillooet, and to further request our Member of Parliament to present this letter to the Clerk of Petitions and upon receiving certification, to the House of Commons.

The BC Wildfires petition that was previously sent to BC Municipalities from the District of Lillooet, is addressed to the Government of Canada and asks for the Government of BC and Canada to empower local persons, those working with licensees, industry and contractors, Indigenous communities, ranchers and workers such as fire fighters, forestry workers, and all those that see the day-to-day issues and have front line knowledge to provide feedback on the inconsistencies and shortcomings with regard to forest management and wildfire prevention in order to help bring about much-needed change.

Inspired by the Ontario government who assembled an 'All Hazards Agency' that employs people to manage fire, flood and slides, we believe that BC needs this type of agency as well.

The Town of Oliver supports the District of Lillooet's belief that impacts to lumber prices and job availability, mill closures, current and future mudslides, damage to critical habitat, and house insurance increases are trickle effects that will continue to have detrimental effects on BC's future if we do not make necessary changes to current forest practice procedures.

Consequently, the Town of Oliver calls upon the Provincial and Federal Governments to provide better forest management and wildfire protection by assessing the current policies and guidelines to enhance those that are working to re-evaluate and change those that are not.

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February 22, 2022

We respectfully request that you present our letter supporting the District of Lillooet's BC Wildfires petition to the Clerk of Petitions and upon receiving certification, to the House of Commons.

On behalf of Council, thank you for your consideration of this request.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MJ', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Martin Johansen
Mayor

cc Council
Councils of BC Communities



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December 15, 2021

File #: 0400-20

Via email: brad.vis@parl.gc.ca

Brad Vis, MP for Mission-Matsqui-Fraser Canyon
House of Commons
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A6

To: Mr. Brad Vis:

RE: BC Wildfires Petition

The District of Lillooet (the "District") Councillor Laurie Hopfl has taken part in conversations with many stakeholders across our community regarding the needed changes to protect BC forests and every living thing in them.

On December 7, 2021, Councillor Hopfl made a notice of motion at the District Regular Council Meeting and sought Council support for a call to action as outlined in a petition, "BC Wildfires" that was signed by 46 Lillooet area residents.

The BC Wildfires petition, enclosed with this correspondence, is addressed to the Government of Canada and asks for the Government of BC and Canada to empower local persons, those working with licensees, industry and contractors, Indigenous communities, ranchers and workers such as fire fighters, forestry workers, and all those that see the day-to-day issues and have front line knowledge to provide feedback on the inconsistencies and shortcomings with regard to forest management and wildfire prevention in order to help bring about much-needed change.

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Consequently, the District of Lillooet calls upon the Provincial and Federal Governments to provide better forest management and wildfire protection by assessing the current policies and guidelines to enhance those that are working and to re-evaluate and change those that are not.

As such, the District Council passed resolution R-235-2021:

THAT Mayor and Council accept the petition "BC Wildfires" for information;

AND THAT the petition be provided to the House of Commons and that MP Brad Vis may address the petition there;

AND THAT staff write a letter on behalf of Mayor and Council that reiterates and supports the points in the petition;

AND FURTHER THAT the letter be sent to the MLA, MP, and all Councils of BC communities.

We respectfully request that you present the BC Wildfires petition to the Clerk of Petitions and upon receiving certification, to the House of Commons.

We invite other BC communities to adopt similar resolutions and join our efforts to bring about change in BC.

On behalf of Council, thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Mayor Peter Busse
District of Lillooet

cc: All UBCM Member Local Governments
Jackie Tegart, MLA for Fraser-Nicola
encl. BC Wildfires petition

BC Wildfires:

Whereas:

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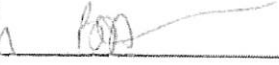



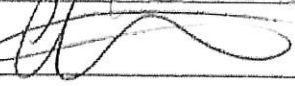
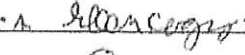
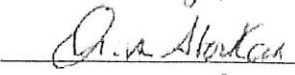

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29. LAUREN WELCH	PO BOX 2015 Lillooet BC		Lauren Welch
30. Brian & Weeks	270 TAYLOR RD.		Brian & Weeks

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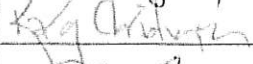
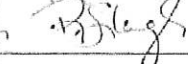
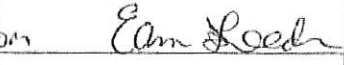
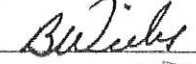
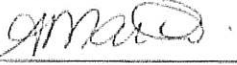
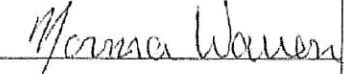
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VILLAGE OF SALMO

February 28, 2022

Honourable Minister Adrian Dix
Minister of Health
PO Box 9050 Stn Prov Govt
Victoria, BC V8W 9E2
Sent via email: HLTH.Minister@gov.bc.ca

Dear Minister Dix,

At their February 22, 2022 regular meeting, Maple Ridge Council considered the impact that restricted access to health and fitness facilities can have on a person's mental health and sense of well-being, and passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS the City of Maple Ridge recognizes the negative impact on mental health caused by social isolation during the Covid-19 pandemic and the mental and physical benefits of recreation for our citizens;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor request the provincial Minister of Health allow all individuals access to civic recreation facilities paid for and maintained by their tax dollars without restrictions in order to minimize social isolation and promote positive mental health, with a carbon copy to the UBCM and other BC Municipalities.

In April-May 2021 the Province conducted a survey asking British Columbians about the impact COVID-19 has had on their lives. Of the 394,382 respondents, nearly 47% said they had seen their mental health worsen due to the pandemic.

The programs delivered at our public facilities reduce isolation, promote community pride, increase self-esteem, build connected communities and strengthen family bonds.

Since the onset of COVID-19, the City has supported and followed all public health orders and WorkSafe BC requirements to ensure our civic facilities remain safe. With the recent lifting of many capacity restrictions and the acknowledgement that recreation contributes to ones mental and physical health we ask that public facilities be open to all citizens to allow equal opportunity to recreate.

Sincerely,


Mike Morden
Mayor

cc: MLA Lisa Beare, Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows
MLA Bob D'Eith, Maple Ridge – Mission
Union of BC Municipalities
Maple Ridge City Council

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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,

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