



# The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

## REGULAR MEETING #20-22 MINUTES

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Salmo held in Council Chambers at 423 Davies Avenue in Salmo, B.C. on Tuesday, December 13, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:**

<u>In Person:</u>	Members of the Public - 6
Councillor Melanie Cox	<u>Electronically:</u>
Councillor Kenzie Neil	Mayor Diana Lockwood
CAO James Heth	Members of the Public - 1

**REGRETS:** Councillor Jennifer Lins.

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

**AGENDA:**

R1-20-22 Moved and seconded, that the draft agenda of Regular Meeting #20-22 of Tuesday, December 13, 2022 be adopted as amended from *Council Procedure Bylaw #663, 2014 Schedule "A"* to include a New Business section, a Financial Report section, an Operational Report section, an Assignment section, and a Public Question period.

Carried.

**DELEGATIONS:** NIL

**FINANCIAL REPORT – FINANCIAL OFFICER RUSS**

R2-20-22 Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the Third Quarter Financial Statement dated September 30, 2022 as presented by Financial Officer Nathan Russ.

Carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

R3-20-22 Moved and seconded, that Council approve all of Council to attend the 2023 Elected Officials Seminar – Association of Kootenay and Boundary Local Governments Region 8-10 March, 2023 in Kimberley, BC.

Carried.

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

R4-20-22 Moved and seconded, that the draft minutes of Regular Meeting #19-22 of Tuesday, November 22, 2022 be adopted as presented.

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Carried.

**REFERRALS FROM DELEGATIONS:**

R5-20-22 Moved and seconded, that the Village not restrict the number of Cannabis Business  
cannabis retailers in Salmo.

License Restrictions

Carried.

**REFERRALS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS:**

R6-20-22 Moved and seconded, that Council approve the amended Snow and Ice  
Snow and Ice Control Control Policy CW-007, amended to include a definition of “Sidewalk”.  
Policy CW-007 Carried.

**POLICY DEVELOPMENT & REVIEW:**

R7-20-22 Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the report  
Permissive Tax as presented by CAO Heth.  
Exemption Policy F-010 Carried.

**BYLAW REVIEW & DEVELOPMENT:**

R8-20-22 Moved and seconded, that Council appoint James Heth as Chief  
Election Officials Bylaw Election Officer for conducting the 2023 local by-election with power  
#537, 2005 to appoint other election officials as required for the administration  
and conduct of the 2023 local by-election.  
Carried.

R9-20-22 Moved and seconded, that Council appoint Brandy Jessup as Deputy  
Election Officials Bylaw Chief Election Officer for the 2023 local by-election.  
#537, 2005 Carried.

R10-20-22 Moved and seconded, that Council appoint Will Kalmikoff, Doug  
Board of Variance Lockwood and Pat Waterstreet as members of the Board of Variance.  
Bylaw #551, 2005 Carried.

R11-20-22 Moved and seconded, that the “*Village of Salmo Zoning Bylaw #717,*  
Village of Salmo Zoning 2023” be given first reading.  
Bylaw #717, 2023 Carried.

**OPERATIONAL REPORT:**

R12-20-22 Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the written  
CAO Report report as presented by CAO Heth for the period of November 18 to  
December 8, 2022.  
Carried.

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:**

R13-20-22 Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the list of  
accounts payable cheques and electronic fund transfers from  
November 18, 2022 to December 8, 2022 totaling \$160,265.56.  
Carried.

**ASSIGNMENTS:**

R14-20-22 Moved and seconded, that Council appoint Councillor Lins to serve as  
RDCK Alternate Director Alternate Director for the Village of Salmo on the Board of the Regional  
District of Central Kootenay.  
Carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION:**

R15-20-22 Moved and seconded, that Council approve:  
Salmo Ski Team Society a) a letter agreement with the Salmo Valley Fund to sponsor a grant to  
Re: Request for Grant be transferred through the Village to the Salmo Ski Team Society in the  
Sponsorship - #84 amount of \$500; and  
(b) a Sponsorship Agreement with the Salmo Ski Team Society, and  
further approve the CAO finalizing and signing both agreements.  
Carried.

R16-20-22 Moved and seconded, that Council approve the grant-in-aid request of  
Grant-in-Aid Request: \$300 by the Salmo Community Response Network to assist with the  
Salmo Community cost of providing a Christmas Dinner for Seniors.  
Response Network - Carried.  
#85

R17-20-22 Moved and seconded, that Council approve a grant of \$15,000 from  
Salmo Valley Curling & the COVID Safe Restart Grant to the Salmo Valley Curling & Rink  
Rink Association Re: Association.  
Request for Funding Tabled (lack of quorum).  
Through COVID Safe  
Restart Grant - #86

R18-20-22 Moved and seconded, that Council approve the Salmo Valley Trail  
Salmo Valley Trail Society's request to use \$5,000 of the Village of Salmo's portion of the  
Society Re: Request for 2022 Community Development Funds.  
Community Tabled (lack of quorum).  
Development Funds -  
#88

R19-20-22 Moved and seconded, that Council approve the request of Girl Guides  
Girl Guides of Canada's Canada's British Columbia Council and support girl empowerment in BC  
British Columbia on February 22, 2023 by lighting up an interior window with lights in  
Council Re: Guiding the colour blue.  
Lights Across BC Carried.  
February 22, 2023 - #91

R20-20-22 Moved and seconded, that Council approve the request by the  
Herb Conference Canadian Herb Conference to host their annual conference at KP Park  
Campground Rental and campground for the period 5-10 July, 2023, and that the CAO be  
2023 authorized to finalize and enter into a contract for the event.  
Carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION ONLY:**

R21-20-22 Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the  
following correspondence from:

- (1) AKBLG Re: Call for Resolutions - #80

- (2) BC Crisis Line Network Re: UBCM Follow Up - Towards Local Mental Health Crisis Care - #81
- (3) FortisBC Re: Congratulations on Re-Election as Mayor - #82
- (4) Ambulance Paramedics of British Columbia Re: Congratulations on Election & Invite to Meet - #83
- (5) Martin & Trudie Ross Re: Japanese Knott Weed Concerns - #87
- (6) Minister of International Development & Minister Responsible for the Pacific Economic Development Agency of Canada Re: Congratulations on Election - #90
- (7) Interior Health Re: IH and RCMP Expanding Crisis Response Partnerships - #92
- (8) BC SPCA Re: Congratulations on Election & Creating More Humane Communities - #93

Carried.

**MEMBER REPORTS & INQUIRIES:**

Councillor Cox                      Councillor Cox reported that she will be reviewing the river treaty negotiations package she recently received.

Councillor Neil                      Councillor Neil reported she will be attending a library board meeting on Dec. 14, 2022 and will report back.

Mayor Lockwood                      See *Appendix A*.

R22-20-22  
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:**

- Request that Civic Works improve snow clearing of sidewalks on Glendale Bridge.
- Request that businesses that have licenses in the Village be promoted on the Village website.
- Observation that sound quality is poor for those attending electronically.
- Noted that small organizations likely will not have audited financial statements. The option in the draft permissive tax exemption policy for the Village to require audited financial statements may be onerous.
- There were comments regarding the Zoning Bylaw. The public was reminded that there will be a public hearing with notice, and any comments or concerns should be brought to that hearing so they can be put on record and considered by Council at second reading.

**IN CAMERA RESOLUTION:**

R23-20-22                      Moved and seconded, that the meeting be closed to the public under Sections 90(1)(d)(g) of the *Community Charter*.

Carried.

**RECONVENE OPEN MEETING:** Council reconvened the regular meeting at 8:45 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**                      Moved and seconded, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

R24-20-22

Carried.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, December 13, 2022.

Originally Signed By:

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Diana Lockwood

Mayor

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James Heth

Chief Administrative Officer





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

### MAYOR LOCKWOOD

Mayor Report for Council Meeting held on December 13, 2022.

**Salmo Arts Council:** I look forward to attending a meeting of the arts council upon invitation.

**Salmo & Area G Emergency Preparedness:** Next meeting January 23, 2023.

**Citizen Engagement:** When the garbage truck did not show up on Nov 30 public is wanting a better way to be contacted when we are not going to have garbage pick up instead of using Facebook.

**Economic Development:** I would like to challenge council and the community to purchase as many gifts as possible for this Christmas season either here in Salmo or locally in the West Kootenays.

**Fire Department:** Be safe this season with your lights, keeping your tree watered, and driving safely. Our fire department will thank you.

### RDCK:

**Board:** CBT gave information about their annual report. You can go to [ourtrust.org](http://ourtrust.org) to see their annual report. DOT Night application open January 9, 2023, and must be in by February 17, 2023, through the RDCK. The program will be renamed ReDi Program (Resident Directed Program).

I will continue to sit on the West Kootenay Transit Committee along with Director McFaddin and Director Popoff and alternate Director Newell.

The RDCK is partnering with Whitewater Ski Resort to apply on their behalf for the Province of BC's Destination Development Fund stream one – activate program for it's Hummingbird Lodge and Campground Phase Two Project in the amount of \$750,000.

The board is sending a letter of support for the Community Futures' application to the Economic Diversification stream of the Government of BC's Rural Economic Diversification and Infrastructure Program (REDIP) for funding of the West Kootenay Recruitment Agency Project to address the labour shortage in the region.

RDCK office will be closed for the holiday season from December 23 to Jan 3. If you are needing assistance, do it before the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**Workshop:** I have attended six workshops through the RDCK: Planning/Building/Bylaw Enforcement, GIS/Local Conservation Fund/Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee Initiatives, Wildfire & Flood Mitigation/Watershed Governance Initiative/Climate Action, Community Sustainable Living Advisory Committee, Resource Recovery, and Utility Services.

**Nelson, Salmo Areas E, F, G Regional Parks:** Made commission aware that the Salmo Valley Trail Society would like support as the Nelson Cycling Cub has received in the past.

Something that staff are working on is how does the RDCK work with contractors that may only be receiving \$3000 vs \$100,000. The problem for staff is the contract is 35 plus pages and that is scaring away smaller contractors which staff work with more often than bigger contractors.

Budget meeting will be in January. The next scheduled meetings are April 4, May 9, September 12, and November 14 and can be attended all electronically.

**Salmo & Area G Recreation Commission:** a grant was awarded to the Salmo Valley and Youth Community Centre as they are partnering with the Salmo Snowboard Club to hire a coach and provide mentorship, training, and a sense of community for youth through the sport of snowboarding in the amount of \$1227.32.

The board direct staff to create a Memorandum of Understanding with School District No. 8 to allow the Regional District of Central Kootenay to own and operate a pool on school district property where the pool is currently located at 303 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Salmo, BC.

Motion to grant the school district \$5000 for one of the extended basketball posts including installation.

Commissioner Chew gave an update on the Salmo Community Courts and timelines to finish the work that was an oversight by the contractors.

As we say goodbye and thank you to Jacquie Huser, we welcome Melissa Cain to the commission.

**Economic Trust of the Southern Interior – BC (ETSI-BC):** The fall intake funded 26 projects in the amount of \$543,800 throughout the Southern Interior. Next intake is in the spring.

**Joint Resource Recovery:** Rural organics alternative technology assessment was done coming out with four scenarios.

1. In home dehydrator use with community drop off points for end product. Self-haul of all materials to transfer stations. No curbside collection of any kind.
2. In home dehydrator use with curbside collection of only organics 12 times per year. Self-haul of residual organics and garbage to transfer stations. No curbside collection of garbage.
3. In-home dehydrator use with curbside collection of bi-weekly garbage and organics 12 times per year.
4. Conventional curbside for weekly organics collection only under scenario 4a, and conventional curbside for weekly organics collection and by-weekly garbage and recycling collection, under scenario 4b.

Each scenario also has a low and a high-cost option based on the cost of the initial capital investment. RDCK staff will take no farther steps to investigate at-home food dehydrators/grinders or other at home systems at this time. You may hear that the RDCK will be consulting with electoral areas about starting a new service for organics. At this time Salmo is not involved with the consulting.

HB Tailings facility remediation has ended. RDCK is working with Teck to finalize this project.

RDCK staff will write a letter to Minister Hayman and speaking about our disapproval of the RBC proposal.

Other meetings of note:

**Mayor's and chair Highway 3 Coalition:** Work on the "S" corner (just before Ymir) will continue into January with hopes to remove as much rock as possible.



**Celgar/Mercer Presentation:** They spoke about how they are continuing to keep the mill fully running by slowing production down until hopefully only to the end of January and then reassess the situation. Their ability to get enough fibre to be working at full speed has been difficult to obtain.

Their 2023 aspirational goals are to reduce 35% CO2e emissions, that the products are 1/3 pulp, 1/3 lumber, 1/3 bioproducts, that 80% of fibre sources comes from certified forests, lowering the water consumption by 10%, a 5% improvement in resource efficiency and elimination of waste process, increasing safety, and increasing that 30% of new hires are women (19% right now).

When a fire goes through an area the timeline to log those burnt trees depends on how badly or hot the burn was. The timeline can be from 2-5 years to be able to use that timber. At times this wood becomes unmerchantable.

**Ministry Meetings:** Minister Cullen and Minister Rankin called a meeting for all Mayors across the Province about the Housing announcement the Premier Eby announced and how this was going to affect us. The bigger municipalities will need to be on board in the next year or so by producing so much housing and then it will flow down to the smaller municipalities. Everyone will need to do their part across the province.

**IHA Mayor's and Chairs regional meeting:** Next meeting December 9, 2023

I wish council, staff, and residents a happy, healthy, and prosperous season and a very merry Christmas. May 2023 be full of love and life for you all.

Respectfully submitted,

**Mayor/Director Lockwood**

