



A Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Salmo to be held in Council Chambers at 423 Davies Avenue in Salmo, B.C. on **Tuesday, February 28, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.**

The public may attend in person or electronically. The electronic link will be available on our Facebook 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 #04-23 of Tuesday, February 28, 2023 be adopted as amended from *Council Procedure Bylaw No. 663, 2014* Schedule "B" include a New Business section, a Bylaw Development & Review section, and a Public Question Period.

3. Delegations

- (1) Erin Thompson & Toni D'Andrea, Nav-CARE Program

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4. New Business
5. Adoption of the Minutes

- (1) **RECOMMENDATION:**

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That the draft minutes of the Regular Council meeting #03-23 of Tuesday, February 14, 2023 be adopted as presented.

6. Referrals from Delegations - NIL
7. Referrals from Prior Meetings - NIL
8. Bylaw Development & Review

- (1) Municipal Utilities User Fees Bylaw #746, 2023

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the "Municipal Utilities User Fees Bylaw #746, 2023", having had three readings, be reconsidered and adopted.

9. Operational Reports

- (1) Civic Works Department

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RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive for information the written report as presented by CAO Heth for the period of January 20, 2023 to February 23, 2023.

- (2) Fire Department

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RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive for information the written report dated February 1, 2023 provided by Fire Chief David Hearn for the period of January 2023.

- (3) **Bylaw Enforcement** Pg.19

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive for information the written report on bylaw enforcement for the period of January 2023.

- (4) **Administration** Pg.21

a. **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council receive for information the written report as presented by CAO Heth.

- b. **Community Resiliency Investment Program – 2023 FireSmart Community Funding & Supports** Pg.23

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council approve that the Regional District of Central Kootenay apply for a grant as the primary applicant to the Union of BC Municipalities Community Resiliency Investment Program 2023 FireSmart Community Funding & Supports program on behalf of the Village of Salmo, in the amount of \$17,665. Further, that the Regional District of Central Kootenay may receive and manage the grant funding on the Village's behalf.

- (5) **Strategic Plan – NIL**

10. Financial Reports

- (1) **RECOMMENDATION:** Pg.25

That Council receive for information the list of accounts payable cheques and electronic fund transfers from February 10, 2023 to February 23, 2023 totaling \$69,159.92.

- (2) **RECOMMENDATION:** Pg.27

That Council receive for information the Treasurer's Report for January 2023.

11. Correspondence Requiring a Council Decision

- (1) **AKBLG Re: Annual Conference April 21-23, 2023** Pg.29

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council budget for all of Council to attend the AKBLG conference occurring from April 21-23, 2023.

12. Correspondence for Information Only

That Council receive for information the following correspondence from:

- (1) **Marie Beaton Re: Nurses Need Help - #05** Pg.31

- (2) **Miya Regier Re: Solution for Healthcare Crisis - #06** Pg.33

- (3) **Ben Pires Re: Attn. Mayor and Council - #07** Pg.35

- (4) **Forest Enhancement Society of British Columbia Re: Funded Projects - #08** Pg.37

- (5) **Forest Enhancement Society of British Columbia Re: 2023 Accomplishments Update - #09** Pg.39

13. Member Reports & Inquiries

- (1) **Councillor Cox**
(2) **Councillor Lins**
(3) **Councillor Neil**
(4) **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 14, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.



SCHEDULE "E"
The Corporation of the Village of Salmo
DELEGATION APPLICATION FORM

Delegate(s) Name: Toni D'Andrea and Erin Thompson

Mailing Address: 1500 Columbia Ave Trail BC V1R 1K1

Email Address: salmo@westkootenaynavcare.ca Phone No.: (778) 760-3659

Delegation Status: (select one)

[] Representing a Group/Organization/Business West Kootenay Nav-CARE
(Name of Group/Organization/Business)

[] Attending as an Individual

Council Date Requested for Meeting: February 28, 2023

Purpose of the Delegation Request:

To inform council about the Nav-CARE program, provide updates on changes to the program, and share information about volunteering and the client referral process. We would also be happy to answer any questions that council may have about the service.

Note:

- A copy of all information regarding the presentation **must** accompany this application.
- Delegation requests are subject to approval by the Mayor and Corporate Officer. Submission of an application is not a guarantee that you will be approved to appear before Council. Where the subject matter of a delegation pertains to legal matters, personnel, and/or private property issues, the Village of Salmo reserves the right not to approve the delegation.
- The Village of Salmo cannot guarantee you will be scheduled on the date requested

I/We acknowledge that only the above matter will be discussed during the presentation:

Signature: 

Date: February 10, 2023

This information is collected by the Village of Salmo in accordance with Section 124 of the *Community Charter* and is protected under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. The information will be used to facilitate processing this request to appear as a delegation before Council. Should you have any questions about the collection of this personal information, please contact the Village of Salmo, Corporate Officer at 250.357.9433.

The applicant, in the process of submitting or authorizing this application, hereby recognizes and accepts that this material will become available to the public as part of the application, review and approval process.

ET _____ Applicant's Initials

Return completed form along with the information regarding the presentation to the Corporate Officer either by mail, in person, by fax, or by email

Completed forms can be faxed to (250)357-9633 or emailed to info@salmo.ca.

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Delegation Approved? Y Scheduled for Council Meeting on Feb 28, 2023

N

Reason not approved: _____

Response sent to requestor by: letter email on Feb 28, 2023



The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

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REGULAR MEETING #03-23 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, February 14, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

In Person:

Mayor Diana Lockwood
Councillor Melanie Cox
Councillor Jennifer Lins
Councillor Kenzie Neil

CAO James Heth

Members of the Public - 7

Electronically:

Members of the Public – 2

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Lockwood called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA:

R1-03-23

Moved and seconded, that the draft agenda of Regular Meeting #03-23 of Tuesday, February 14, 2023 be adopted as amended from *Council Procedure Bylaw #663, 2014 Schedule "A"* to include a New Business section, an Administrative Report section, a Public Question period, and an *In Camera* section.

Carried.

DELEGATIONS: NIL

NEW BUSINESS: NIL

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

R2-03-23

Regular Meeting
January 24, 2023

Moved and seconded, that the draft minutes of Regular Meeting #02-23 of Tuesday, January 24, 2023 be adopted as presented.

Carried.

REFERRALS FROM DELEGATIONS: NIL

REFERRALS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS: NIL

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT:

R3-03-23

CBT Charge Up Program

Moved and seconded, that Council approve energy efficiency upgrades and solar power installations for the Village Office and Civic Works shop under the Columbia Basin Trust Basin Charge Up Program, and further approve Village funding up to \$26,175 towards the project costs.

Carried.

Councillor Cox recorded as opposed.

POLICY DEVELOPMENT & REVIEW: NIL

R4-03-23

Amended F-010

Moved and seconded, that Council approve the amended F-010 Permissive Tax Exemption policy.

Permissive Tax
Exemption policy

Carried.
Councillor Cox recorded as opposed.

BYLAW REVIEW & DEVELOPMENT: NIL

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

R5-03-23 Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the list of accounts payable cheques and electronic fund transfers from January 20, 2023 to February 9, 2023 totaling \$129,956.13.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION:

R6-03-23 Moved and seconded, that Council provide a letter of support to the City of Nelson Re: City of Nelson for their application to UBCM’s Disaster Risk Reduction Grant: Category 2 funding.
Municipal Hazard Risk Tolerance Policy – Request for Letter of Support for Grant Funding - #04

Carried.

R7-03-23 Moved and seconded, that Council approve the use of KP Park by the Salmo Valley ATV Club on June 24, 2023 for their annual rally and ride.
Community Park Reservation Request: Salmo Valley ATV Club

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

R8-03-23 Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the following correspondence from:

- (1) Heritage BC Re: Heritage Week February 20-26, 2023 - #03

Carried.

Break 7:23-7:26 pm

MEMBER REPORTS & INQUIRIES:

Councillor Cox See *Appendix A*.

Councillor Lins Councillor Lins reported engagement with Village seniors.

Councillor Neil Councillor Neil reported that the library board will be meeting soon and she will update Council at next meeting, as well as engagement on the School District strategic plan.

Mayor Lockwood See *Appendix A*.

R9-03-23 Moved and seconded, that the verbal and written reports of Mayor and Council be received for information.

Verbal & Written
Reports of Mayor &
Council

Carried.

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD:

- A local restaurant reported building code and inspector challenges that would reduce the occupancy of a proposed restaurant to an unsustainable level. Council expressed support for a building code interpretation that would allow greater occupancy and the Mayor would bring this up at RDCK.
- Comments and discussion regarding permissive tax exemptions and Village policy and priorities.
- Mayor Lockwood apologised for her absence at the last regular meeting.
- 8:09 p.m. Councillor Cox departed the meeting.

IN CAMERA RESOLUTION:

R10-03-23

Moved and seconded, that the meeting be closed to the public under 90(1)(c)(e) of the *Community Charter*.

RECONVENE OPEN MEETING: Council reconvened the regular meeting at 8:51 p.m.

RISE & REPORT:

R11-03-23

Moved and seconded, that Council accept entering into a Site License Agreement with Columbia Basin Broadband Corporation.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

R12-03-23

Moved and seconded, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Carried.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, February 14, 2023.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE SALMO

BYLAW #746

A BYLAW TO ESTABLISH UTILITY USER FEES FOR THE YEAR 2023

WHEREAS Section 194 of the *COMMUNITY CHARTER*, SBC 2003, c 26 authorizes the Council of the Village of Salmo to impose fees in respect of water, sewer and garbage collection services,

WHEREAS the Council of the Village of Salmo has adopted a policy pursuant to which services shall be provided on a user-pay basis,

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Village of Salmo, in open meeting assembled, ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:

1. CITATION

This Bylaw may be cited as the **“MUNICIPAL UTILITIES USER FEES BYLAW #746, 2023”**.

2. USER FEES

- (a) User fees for the water service for the year 2023 shall be as specified in Schedule “A” attached to and forming part of this Bylaw.
- (b) User fees for the sewer service for the year 2023 shall be as specified in Schedule “B” attached to and forming part of this Bylaw.
- (c) An annual garbage service user fee in the amount of two hundred and nineteen dollars and sixty-nine cents (\$219.69) per dwelling unit for single family or duplex residential properties is hereby imposed for the year 2023.
- (d) A user fee levied pursuant to this section shall be reduced by ten percent (10%) if it is paid in full on or before April 14th, 2023.
- (e) All rates and charges remaining unpaid on the 31st day of December in each year shall be added to and form part of the taxes payable in respect of the land and improvements therein, and shall be entered on the Collector’s Roll as taxes in arrears.

3. ENACTMENT

- (a) 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 shall be severed and the part that is invalid shall not affect the validity of the remainder.
- (b) This Bylaw shall come into full force and effect on the date of adoption.

READ A FIRST TIME
 READ A SECOND TIME
 READ A THIRD TIME
 RECONSIDERED AND FINALLY ADOPTED

this 27th day of February, 2023
 this 27th day of February, 2023
 this 27th day of February, 2023
 this ____ day of _____, 2023

Mayor

CAO/Corporate Officer

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE ABOVE TO BE A TRUE COPY OF THE "MUNICIPAL UTILITIES USER FEES BYLAW #746, 2023".

CAO/Corporate Officer

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE SALMO**BYLAW #746 – Schedule “A”****User Fees for Water Service**

Classification	Annual Rate 2023 - \$
Carwash/Laundromat/Microbrewery	622.06
Duplex (per unit) - Commercial Residential	272.30
Duplex (per unit) - Residential	272.30
Garages, Service Stations, Mechanic or Body Shop	410.36
Grocery Stores	443.41
Halls, Churches	337.10
Hotels, Motels and B&Bs (per unit)	230.80
Mobile Home (per unit)	272.30
Multi-Unit Commercial (per unit, more than 2 units)	230.80
Multi-Unit Residential (per unit, more than 2 units)	230.80
'Non-Profit' Multi-Unit Residential (per unit)	104.11
Public Lounge, Licensed Premises	535.31
RCMP, Post Office	350.48
Restaurants, Cafe (per seat)	25.28
Salmo Valley Curling Club/SVYCC	337.10
Salmo Wellness Centre	546.68
Sani-Dump	337.10
Schools (per classroom)	269.34
Secondary suite	168.55
Single Family Residential (within the Village)	337.10
Stores, Offices, Banks, Credit Unions	350.48
Single Family Residential (outside the Village)	684.20

1. Due Date & Discount:

A discount of 10% shall be allowed on all 2023 Water accounts paid in full by April 14th, 2023.

When a property contains more than one use (e.g. commercial and residential use) the applicable user rate shall be calculated by adding the units for each applicable use.

Utility fees will not be waived for vacant properties that are connected to the water service.

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE SALMO

BYLAW #746 – Schedule “B”

User Fees for Sewer Service

Classification	Annual Rate 2023 - \$
Carwash/Laundromat/Microbrewery	1,247.55
Duplex (per unit) – Commercial Residential	497.59
Duplex (per unit) - Residential	497.59
Garages, Service Stations, Mechanic or Body Shop	783.75
Grocery Stores	529.06
Halls, Churches	487.75
Hotels, Motels and B&Bs (per unit)	483.62
Mobile Home (per unit)	497.59
Multi-Unit Commercial (per unit, more than 2 units)	483.62
Multi-Unit Residential (per unit, more than 2 units)	483.62
'Non-Profit' Multi-Unit Residential (per unit)	243.05
Public Lounge, Licensed Premises	1,029.46
RCMP, Post Office	529.06
Restaurants, Cafe (per seat)	34.54
Salmo Valley Curling Club/SVYCC	529.06
Salmo Wellness Centre	705.41
Sani-Dump	1,247.55
Schools (per classroom)	487.75
Secondary Suite	264.52
Single Family Residential (within the Village)	529.06
Stores, Offices, Banks, Credit Unions	529.06
Single Family Residential (outside the Village)	1,058.34

1. Due date & Discount:

A discount of 10% shall be allowed on all 2023 Sewer accounts paid in full by April 14th, 2023.

When a property contains more than one use (e.g. commercial and residential use) the applicable user rate shall be calculated by adding the units for each applicable use.

Utility fees will not be waived for vacant properties that are connected to the sewer service.



The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

Report to Council

Report Date: February 23, 2023
Meeting Date: February 28, 2023 (#04-23)
From: James Heth, CAO
Subject: Civic Works Report for February, 2023

1. OBJECTIVE

To update Council on Civic Works operations.

2. RECOMMENDATION

For information.

3. DISCUSSION

3.1. Clarifier Install

Civic Works has been supervising and working with the contractor to install the clarifier. The majority of the work is complete and it is expected that the clarifier will be operational next week. There will be a commissioning period and the plan is to bring it online when the weather warms up a bit.

Civic works has also been working with the contracted Level II operator who has been making weekly site visits to view the waste water treatment plant operations.

3.2. Large Equipment Storage Shed

The contractor has poured the slab and once it is cured the door installation and final carpentry can commence. The building is being heated and Civic Works will maintain the heaters daily.

3.3. Attachments: Nil.



Fire Chief's Report: February 01, 2023

Regular Council Meeting #04-23

Since the last report on January 1st, 2023 the Salmo Fire Department responded to 5 calls:

3 Jaws

1 Lift Assists

1 Chimney Fire

DESCRIPTION

Salmo Fire Department members were page to a MVI involving a school bus and a passenger vehicle. Fortunately there were no obvious injuries to any of the students on the school bus. The two persons in the car were transported to the hospital for treatment. This incident could have been so much worse, had the impact been made in a different area of the bus, or had the other vehicle been a larger vehicle like a semi or a logging truck. Incidents such as this hits home the emergency preparedness of all emergency responders in the area. We are in a relatively isolated area and other responding agencies from neighbouring communities are at least half an hour away. Our members train for this kind of event, but hope it never happens.

Misc.

We have had an increase in members attending practices in the last month. We have been concentrating on SCBA work and other skills that we can practice inside the fire hall. We are waiting for warmer weather where we can go outside and pump water and use fire hoses, without fear of causing sheets of ice.

With our recent promotion on Facebook and in the newsletter looking for new members, we gained one new member. We had one other person express a strong interest in joining, but he only attended a couple of fire practices and then he never came back and has not responded to messages. Lack of members during the daytime continues to be an issue for our fire department. We had one call where no one immediately answered the page, but we eventually had three members that were able to respond to a lift assist. Other members are able to leave their place of work to respond, but these members have to respond from Trail, Nelson and Castlegar. With the huge influx of new residents to our valley in recent times, we need to come up with a community strategy to get these people active in our community. We have so many organizations that rely on volunteers (library, curling rink, ski hill, fire department, ambulance, Lions, Legion, etc.), and these new people are enjoying the benefits of what Salmo and area have to offer without stepping up to assist and volunteer their time. Our community have what we have because of the volunteers, past and present. We need to find a way to get some of these new residents to step up and become volunteers in our great community.

Originally Signed By:

David Hearn, Fire Chief



Bylaw Officer's Report: January 1, 2023 to January 31, 2023

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Complaints:

INFRACTION TYPE	NO. OF INFRACTIONS	RESOLUTION
Miscellaneous	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• One (1) complaint about a political flag on a vehicle parked at a home located across from the Elementary School and Daycare. The Village was not able to take action as there is no bylaw in place for this type of complaint.

Enforcement

INFRACTION TYPE	NO. OF INFRACTIONS	RESOLUTION
Dog Related	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Spoke to four (4) residents that were walking dogs to remind them that they need to get 2023 dog licenses. One (1) person already had their dogs licensed and the other three (3) said they would go purchase licenses. Will follow-up to ensure compliance.
Business License	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Hand delivered one (1) Business License to a local business.
Traffic	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Civic Works requested that a resident be notified to move their truck as it was hindering snow removal. Spoke to the owner, compliance achieved.

Information submitted by:

Fred Nevakshonoff, Bylaw Officer

Originally signed and approved by:

James Heth, Chief Administrative Officer



The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

Report to Council

Report Date: February 23, 2023
Meeting Date: February 28, 2023 (#04-23)
From: James Heth, CAO
Subject: CAO Report for February, 2023

1. **OBJECTIVE**

To update Council on Village operations and administration.

2. **RECOMMENDATION**

For information.

3. **DISCUSSION**

3.1. **Clarifier Install**

Civic works is finalizing the new clarifier install, expected to be complete the week of February 27-March 1, 2023. The full commissioning will depend on weather to some extent (i.e. after the current cold spell).

3.2. **Large Equipment Storage Shed**

The slab pour is planned for February 24, 2023, and then door installation and final carpentry can commence.

3.3. **Dike Management**

There may be new provincial funding this spring for community emergency preparedness. In discussions with the province regarding the Village dike management, they recommended that the Village develop a longer-term plan to bring the dike up to current design requirements, which could be supported by this potential upcoming funding for planning, design and construction. CAO will work with our engineer to begin scoping this potential project.

3.4. **Glendale Bridge**

The repair design and a class 3 estimate are underway which we should receive within the next month.

3.5. **Budget**

The CFO has prepared a draft schedule for the budget process. CAO will review and seek Council input before finalizing.

3.6. **Grants**

- (a) Rural Economic Diversification and Infrastructure Program – have submitted request for \$21,600 for building design and class D estimate for a building to replace the current concession in KP Park.

Current Status – pending

- (b) Canada Summer Jobs -have requested wage subsidy support for 3 summer students for a 16-week period, total funding of \$15,033
Current Status – pending
- (c) Celebrate Canada – have requested \$5,000 for Canada Day events.
Current Status – pending
- (d) Community Emergency Preparedness Fund – have submitted request for \$29,325 for turn out gear renewal for the Fire Department.
Current Status – the grant funding has been approved and the Fire Department will purchase the planned equipment this year.
- (e) End year funding opportunity – have submitted a request for Provincial end-year funding of \$26,260 to pay for the Glendale Bridge repair design and class 3 estimate that is currently underway.
Current Status – it’s not clear if the newly announced Growing Communities Fund will replace this request.
- (f) Growing Communities Fund – this recently announced fund is intended to help build community infrastructure and amenities to meet the demands of unprecedented population growth. This is one-time funding.
Current Status – details are to be confirmed but the funding will be received by March 31, 2023. The formula for determining the amount isn’t known, but our understanding is that the minimum amount is \$500,000.

3.7. **Attachments:** Nil.



The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

Request for Decision

Report Date: February 23, 2023

Meeting Date: February 28, 2023 (#04-23)

From: James Heth, CAO

Subject: Community Resiliency Investment Program – 2023 FireSmart Community Funding & Supports

1. OBJECTIVE

To approve administration of FireSmart program funding by the Regional District of Central Kootenay (“RDCK”) on behalf of the Village.

2. RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council approve that the Regional District of Central Kootenay apply for a grant as the primary applicant to the Union of BC Municipalities Community Resiliency Investment Program 2023 FireSmart Community Funding & Supports program on behalf of the Village of Salmo, in the amount of \$17,665. Further, that the Regional District of Central Kootenay may receive and manage the grant funding on the Village’s behalf.

3. ALTERNATIVES

3.1. Council not approve the resolution.

Implication: The Village may still apply for the program funding but will need to administer the FireSmart program itself without support of the RDCK.

4. DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

4.1. **Background:** At the January 24, 2023 meeting, Council approved a resolution that the Village approve a grant application to the Union of BC Municipalities (“UBCM”) Community Resiliency Investment Program 2023 FireSmart Community Funding & Supports program, to support FireSmart activities, in the amount of \$17,665. The application was submitted and structured so the program would be delivered by the RDCK. The UBCM has responded that the application should be submitted by the RDCK, provided the Village approve that the funding be directed to and administered by the RDCK.

4.2. **Discussion:** This application structure is consistent with past years. In earlier discussions between the RDCK and the UBCM, the UBCM indicated that the Village should apply as primary applicant. But after receiving the Village’s application and further discussions with the RDCK, the UBCM has agreed that even though the RDCK application is fully subscribed, they would allow the RDCK to apply as primary applicant so the regional delivery of the program can continue.

4.3. **Financial Implications:** The funding would not be received or administered by the Village.

4.4. **Operational Implications:** The Village is in a high risk class for wildfire, and continued participation in the FireSmart program is advised.

- 4.5. **Legislative Framework:** Section 8(2) of the *Community Charter* (British Columbia) provides that Council may provide any service that the Council considers necessary or desirable, and may do this directly or through another public authority or another person or organization.
- 4.6. **Communications:** Program communications will be administered by RDCK.
- 4.7. **Attachments:** Nil.

Village of Salmo
Accounts Payable February 10 to February 23, 2023

Cheque #	Pay Date	Vendor Name	Description	Paid Amount
016204	2023-02-17	Ace Courier Systems	Water Sample Shipment	\$58.22
016210	2023-02-22	Ace Courier Systems	Water Sample Shipment/Sweeper Materials	\$177.25
016192	2023-02-13	Brandt Tractor Ltd.	2018 Loader Maintenance	\$1,287.51
016205	2023-02-17	Commissionaires British Columbia	Bylaw Enforcement	\$323.93
016209	2023-02-17	Fortis BC - Natural Gas	Natural Gas Expense	\$1,631.06
016206	2023-02-17	Fortis BC Inc.	Electricity Expense	\$45.14
016207	2023-02-17	Fuhrions Construction Ltd.	Equipment Building Upgrade	\$15,446.51
016194	2023-02-13	Grant Thornton LLP	2022 Annual Auditing Services	\$10,500.00
016208	2023-02-17	Hall Printing	Election Expense	\$304.77
016195	2023-02-13	Imperial Oil Esso	FD/ Fleet Fuel Expenses	\$3,718.68
016196	2023-02-13	Lordco Auto Parts	CW Shop Materials	\$9.88
016202	2023-02-14	M.O'Connor Contracting	WWTP Maintenance	\$388.13
016197	2023-02-13	Mills Office Productivity	Office Supplies	\$42.47
016201	2023-02-14	Mountain Logic Solutions Inc.	WWTP Maintenance	\$699.30
016199	2023-02-14	Mountain Logic Solutions Inc.	WWTP Maintenance	\$1,795.50
267011	2023-02-14	Receiver General for Canada	Payroll Remittance	\$11,050.26
016211	2023-02-22	Salmo Village Grocery	Office Supplies/FD GC	\$146.74
016193	2023-02-13	Technical Safety BC	Annual Operating Permits	\$1,552.84
016203	2023-02-14	Telus Communications Inc.	Fax/ Internet/ Phone Expenses	\$1,240.70
		Employee Benefits, Reimbursements and Salaries (PP4)		\$18,741.03
		Total:		\$69,159.92

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Treasurer's Report as of January 31, 2023

Account Name	31-Jan-23	31-Dec-22	31-Jan-22
	Balance	Balance	Balance
Chequing Community Plus (Operating Account)	\$1,035,955.71	\$1,219,076.44	\$1,443,869.00
Masterplan Community Plus - Wellness Centre Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Masterplan Community Plus - Community Works	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Masterplan Community Plus - Salmo Parks	\$2,463.74	\$2,460.06	\$2,420.80
Maximizer Community Plus - Civic Works Reserves	\$152,482.50	\$151,870.03	\$148,089.20
Maximizer Community Plus - Sewer Civic Works Reserves	\$32,120.41	\$32,072.74	\$50,244.89
Maximizer Community Plus - Cemetery Care	\$25,316.67	\$25,279.10	\$24,877.80
Maximizer Community Plus - Water Civic Works Reserves	\$282,831.77	\$282,412.02	\$180,133.69
Maximizer Community Plus - Lions Park (Previously Curling Rink)	\$17,109.28	\$17,083.89	\$18,267.12
Maximizer Community Plus - Wellness Centre	\$107,853.39	\$107,693.33	\$105,983.72
Maximizer Community Plus - Fire Department Equipment	\$86,954.37	\$86,825.32	\$46,824.68
Maximizer Community Plus - Jaws of Life	\$196,194.21	\$195,903.04	\$176,032.77
Maximizer Community Plus - Ambulance	\$12,525.97	\$12,507.38	\$12,308.83
Membership Shares	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
Patronage Shares	\$2,238.00	\$2,238.00	\$2,238.00
	\$1,954,071.02	\$2,135,446.35	\$2,211,315.50
Accounts Receivable			
Utilities	\$344.97		
Taxes	\$107,432.71		
Other	\$899.92		
	\$108,677.60		
Accounts Payable			
	\$477.04		
Grand Total (Assets minus Liabilities)	\$2,062,271.58		



Kootenay Boundary Connections – Strong Together

Date:	April 21 - 23, 2023
Location:	Prestige Rocky Mountain Resort 209 Van Horne St S Cranbrook, BC
Cost:	Early Bird Registration on or before March 10 - \$520.00 After March 10 - \$570.00.
Payment Methods:	Payment by credit card registration only through CivicInfo BC. There will be NO separate invoicing or any payments by cheque.
Refund Policy:	Full refunds before midnight April 8th. Substitutions allowed by contacting admin (mailto:admin@akblg.ca)@akblg.ca (mailto:admin@akblg.ca). After April 8th, requests for registration refunds must be directed to the AKBLG Executive at admin@akblg.ca (mailto:admin@akblg.ca) Refunds will only be considered in emergency situations as determined by the AKBLG Executive and a refund fee will be applied as per AKBLG policy.

Instructions

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2. After clicking "Register", your registration will be confirmed.
3. After you have registered, refer to the on-screen instructions for your payment by credit card to CivicInfo.

If you experience any difficulties with this form, please contact CivicInfo BC at 250-383-4898.

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brandy.jessup@salmo.ca

VILLAGE OF SALMO

From: cao@salmo.ca
Sent: February 14, 2023 2:23 PM
To: brandy.jessup@salmo.ca
Subject: FW: Nurses need help

From: Marie Beaton <mariemajor8@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, February 4, 2023 9:26 AM
To: cao@salmo.ca
Subject: Nurses need help

To BC Rural Mayors and Council Members;

BC nurses who are not allowed to work in our province, sent out an email last week providing some information on what we have encountered with the BC Government, the BC Nurses Union and the Health Authorities. We did receive some responses from various councils asking how they could be of assistance.

The driving force of a productive, safe, well functioning society is the protection of the worker. Currently 1 in 3 workers in BC are unionized, which means that 1/3 of the workforce is dependent on unions to represent and protect the wellbeing of its members and ensure that employment contracts are upheld. Unionized employees do not have the legal right to protect themselves from breaches in employment contract, this responsibility has been transferred to unions.

When employees are not protected, services to the public are not protected. And we have seen, in the last year, the domino effect of bad government policy significantly impacting public access to services in many sectors. One of the most significant contributing factors to the demise of our current social services, was the lack of union response to blatant breach of policies and agreements.

Why does this matter?

If unions are not functioning in their intended purpose of holding the employer (in this case the BC Provincial Government) accountable, there is no possible way to hold governments accountable. If we have indeed, entered a season wherein unions are cooperating with government rather than protecting workers, we lose the ability to maintain balance in power levels. (The YouTube video provides a detailed story of what nurses experienced with the BC Nurses Union).

What can rural communities do?

- Many communities have rescinded mandatory vaccination policies but have not returned workers back. Instruct your workers' unions to get these employees back to work in 30 days. Every jurisdiction will have to take responsibility for its own actions. Step up and start the process to reinstate and provide restitution. Then go after the BC Government for the costs of that restitution. Hold the unions accountable and put pressure to ensure that they maintain their function. If unions become inert, we have lost a major component needed for keeping power structures balanced.
- Many communities are struggling to keep healthcare services operational. Communities could consider the following: own your own health unit, hire staff, cover operational costs so that healthcare providers can focus

on patient care rather than rushing appointments to pay the electric bill, and maybe...if you have the courage, hold back some of the taxes collected to pay for these services. It has become very clear that local governments will have to take on the brunt of this responsibility as the NDP government has only led us deeper and deeper into collapse. (Gabriola Island has implemented something similar).

- Continue the public pressure on NDP decisions. Bill 4 (Trades) and Bill 36 (Healthcare Professions) has given the BC government unprecedented power to implement authoritarian policy. If unions are not functional, there is nothing to stop BC government from political overreach.

If local governments take responsibility to reinstate terminated workers, create parameters around provincial overreach into local governance, and continue agitating current provincial agendas, we might have a chance. If you can't find a way to protect your communities, well, then this is only the beginning of the end.

Sincerely,

150 BC Nurses who believe in Patient Autonomy in Medical Decision Making and the right to Personal Choice, and who have filed a complaint against BCNU with the BC Labor Board for failure of duty in fair representation.

We can be contacted at this email or by phone to our main communications contact, Corinne Mori, 250-551-5345. Feel free to watch the YouTube video as it gives details on what was really happening behind closed doors.

www.bcnursesfightmandates.ca

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=86LK7oKqSmg>

Sent from my iPhone

DATE Feb. 14/23
NO 06 TOMUC-FEB. 28/23
FILE NO 0220-30

brandy.jessup@salmo.ca

From: cao@salmo.ca
Sent: February 14, 2023 2:23 PM
To: brandy.jessup@salmo.ca
Subject: FW: Solution for Healthcare Crisis

VILLAGE OF SALMO

From: miya regier <miyakim@hotmail.ca>
Sent: Sunday, February 5, 2023 2:47 PM
To: cao@nakusp.com
Subject: Solution for Healthcare Crisis

Dear, Mayor and/or Councillors

My name is Miya Regier and I am one of many terminated nurses due to vaccine mandate.

There are over 4,000 nurses in my shoes. Some took an early retirement, and some are working in other provinces.

Currently British Columbia and Nova Scotia are the only two provinces which require the vaccine mandate for healthcare workers.

Canada's healthcare system is on the verge of collapse.

While Premier, David Eby is calling for Internationally Educated Nurses (IENs) for free registration fees and offering bursaries,

it will take years to fill our place. Our terminated nurses with 20-30 years of experience are going to go to waste.

I am here pleading with you that you have responsibility and power to call Dr. Bonnie Henry and Adrian Dix and ask them

why unvaccinated nurses can work in other provinces, but not in BC.

We have tried reaching out to our union (BC Nurses Union) many times, but they have continued to ignore our requests.

It's time to bring our Heroes back. Please do something before it's too late for our province to ever recover.

"If you remain silent at this time, relief and deliverance for BC residents will be arriving from another place.

In the meantime, you and your citizens will continue to suffer. Who would know that you would find yourself

in your position for such a time as this? (Esther 4:14 Paraphrased)

Thanks

Miya Regier

DATE Feb. 14/23
NO 07 TO MAYC-FEB. 23/2
FILE NO 0220-30

brandy.jessup@salmo.ca

From: cao@salmo.ca
Sent: February 14, 2023 2:23 PM
To: brandy.jessup@salmo.ca
Subject: FW: Attn: Mayor and Council

VILLAGE OF SALMO

From: benpires@shaw.ca <benpires@shaw.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, February 8, 2023 11:48 AM
To: cao@salmo.ca
Subject: Attn: Mayor and Council

Dear Mayor and Council:

I would appreciate Council's collective response -- if Council is proactive in reconciliACTION, decolonization, inclusion and anti-bigotry/racism/marginalization – to the questions below. I would also like to know where is your community is in terms of attitude to diversity in the continuum of: HATE to DISCRIMINATION to DENIAL to RESISTANCE to TOLERANCE to TOKENISM to ACCEPTANCE to RESPECTFUL FULL INCLUSION? Hopefully it is in full inclusion.

Now, will Council file this letter away without a PROACTIVE, LEADERSHIP response, or will Council approve a resolution to our Premier to ADVOCATE for changes by the provincial government?

Here are the questions:

Why can't residents of Canada's westernmost province be 100 per cent Canadian, like those of the other provinces, with an all-inclusive name?

Why are we partly "British" as in "British" Columbians, where "British" is defined as being a citizen of Britain?

Do we still consider our province to be a colony of Britain, even though the province joined the Canadian federation in 1871? With less than 30 per cent of province's residents having British ancestry, why must the rest -- 70 per cent -- be called "British"? Is it because Queen Victoria named it in 1858, even though she never consulted with the First Nations nor the settlers and never did step on this land?

While we were a colony of Britain for only **THIRTEEN** years [1858-1871], why does the name ignore the thousands of years of pre-colonial rule and the near 152 years as part of the Canadian federation?

Do those, who insist on keeping the province's colonial name, feel that being "British" maintains their superiority over others? Are not the words that indicate superiority the foundation of bigotry/racism/marginalization in our province?

Why do these people, when we talk about such issues, throw out accusations of "cancel culture"? Is it a threat to their superiority? What are the other words of superiority commonly used ["royal", "crown land", "crown corporations," etc.]?

There is much talk about reconciliation [more intense after the discovery of the graves of children of residential schools], decolonization, anti-bigotry, anti-racism. Is this just rhetoric?

If people truly want reconciliation, decolonization and equality [under the equality provisions of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms], why do they ignore the call for a new name for our province? Is “tradition” a valid excuse for the colonial name?

Who can be challenged to come up with a new name for our province, preferably an indigenous name, with the initials “BC” so that there is no need to change the name/logo, at some expense, of some of our institutions/companies like ICBC, BC Ferries, BC Hydro, UBC, BC Lions, etc.?

Why must the province’s flag and coat of arms have the British union jack with the cross, the symbol of British colonization?

Is it insincere or hypocritical when land acknowledgement statements are made while standing in front of a colonial provincial flag with the Union Jack on the top half and the crown on the centre. Is it to remind indigenous people and those who have immigrated from former British colonies, where ancestors were violently treated by the British, on who is in charge/superior?

Why can’t we have a new flag, such as one with a blue bar on the left to indicate our location on the Pacific Ocean coast, a green bar on the right, and in the centre white or indigenous orange bar in the centre with a indigenous-stylized maple leaf or, perhaps, a drum, symbolizing a heart beat and an instrument of all indigenous cultures and nearly every other cultures in the world?

Thank you for your kind attention.

Warm regards,

Ben J. Pires
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250-479-8781



Forest Enhancement
Society of British Columbia

DATE Feb. 14/23
NO 08 TO M+C-FEB. 28/23
FILE NO 0510-20

VILLAGE OF SALMO

January 26, 2023

Dear Mayor Diana Lockwood and Salmo (Village) Council,

People who live, work, and play in BC forests are amazing. They enthusiastically stepped forward with great ideas to enhance their forests and then delivered on their projects. Since the inception of the Forest Enhancement Society of BC (FESBC) in 2016, over \$260 million has been put in the hands of local people to do fantastic things in our forests.

The diversity of organizations with a passion for forestry in BC is a tremendous strength and an incredible source of innovation. The types of organizations delivering forestry projects now range from Indigenous peoples, community forests, grassroots community associations, municipalities, regional districts, woodlots, the Ministry of Forests, the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, contractors, forest consultants, and forest companies big and small. In many cases, FESBC projects caused different groups to work together for the first time. The spirit of collaboration and the resulting positive relationships will now be a platform for deeper partnerships.

FESBC funded projects have successfully contributed to transformation:

- Increased Indigenous peoples' participation and leadership in the forest economy.
- Drove climate action using forests in BC.
- Reduced wildfire risks to communities.
- Accelerated ecologic recovery in areas devastated by beetle epidemics and wildfires.
- Improved wildlife habitat.
- Created jobs in forest-dependent communities.

In the future, with your support, FESBC will continue to work with local communities and others to enhance British Columbia's forests.

Steven F. Kozuki, RPF
Executive Director, Forest Enhancement Society of BC

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Forest Enhancement
Society of British Columbia

DATE Feb. 14/23
NO 09 TO M&C-FEB. 28/2
FILE NO 0510-20
VILLAGE OF SALMO

February 12, 2023

Dear Mayor Diana Lockwood and Salmo (Village) Council,

There are two main kinds of actions we can take on climate change. First, we can adapt to the changing climate. Second, we can reduce greenhouse gases to limit or stop climate change. The Government of British Columbia is doing both using forestry as a nature-based tool.

There are many forestry workers throughout British Columbia who are on the front lines and are taking action on climate change, and we consider them to be climate change heroes. Behind the scenes, other heroes also work within the BC Ministry of Forests and the Office of the Chief Forester. They work at the crossroad of understanding where the science meets the national and international frameworks, where the natural power of forests to reduce greenhouse gases are being actioned.

They have translated this understanding into meaningful actions in B.C.'s forests to take action, including:

1. Planting trees that otherwise would not be planted because growing trees absorb carbon dioxide.
2. Fertilizing forests to help trees grow faster, to absorb carbon dioxide faster.
3. Using woody biomass waste that otherwise would have been burned to avoid greenhouse gas emissions.
4. Storing carbon in long-lived wood products such as wooden buildings and furniture.

The Ministry of Forests, through the establishment of a new Future Forest Ecosystems Centre, is supporting new guidance and practices to help forests become more resilient to the changing climate. These tools tell us what tree seeds and species will be more suited at a site level as the climate changes. The governments of BC and Canada have provided funding to turn these ideas into significant actions in our forests. For example, \$150 million deployed by the Forest Enhancement Society of BC (FESBC) resulted in the reduction of greenhouse gases equivalent to taking 4.2 million cars off the road for a year. This is an achievement that every British Columbian, and Canadian, can be very proud of.

The enclosed issue of the **FESBC 2023 Accomplishments Update** provides you with further insight into who some of the talented staff are, and the amazing work the Ministry of Forests is doing to take action on climate change.

Steven F. Kozuki, RPF
Executive Director, FESBC

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THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SALMO REPORT FROM COUNCIL

COUNCILLOR NEIL

Council Report for Council Meeting held on February 28, 2023.

PORTFOLIOS

Library Board:

Library Director's Report – January 2023

Community, Events & Programs

January 28th was literacy day and it went really well this year! We didn't have huge numbers but we still had plenty of people and lots of fun and community connections! This year's theme was Family Heritage. During the day we hosted a Metis Story time with Jocelyn and had 9 people; CBAL Ozobots/Keva had 10 kids; drumming and craft Family time with COINS 8 people; spelling bee had 15 spellers and 12 spectators. The winners of the spelling bee were, Laura Sanderson, Tova Main, and Sue Bakken. Approximately 57 people attended the library throughout the day.

We also had a number of people contribute to the picture window contest with the word Family.

Online Trivia was a success with 15 people attending. Kim, Sherry, and Cathy's team won. The next trivia night we host, we hope for it to be in person at the pub or in the reading garden

During Lego Club for January, we had 3 events with 26 kids attending over those dates.

The Salmo History Group has set up a new display in the vault. The new display's theme is focused on famous local sports people, check it out.

We have a new printer that will allow the patron to colour print. It is \$0.50 per copy.

Working with the KLF and Nelson, Beaver Valley, Trail, Rossland and Grand Forks libraries we have been tracking books the circulate between us to see if it is feasible to have a courier instead of Canada post. To save money and time.

Tax Support is set to start from mid-March to the end of April. Sign up for times will be available by the end of Feb.

Grants and Funding

We made \$156 in printing and coping during Jan. This extra income from printing will help cover the slight cost increase for the new printer.

KLF Local Initiative Grant – \$600

Village of Salmo Grant in aid - \$300

Both of these will go towards Live History Theater happening April 17th

Both Summer Student Grants have been submitted. The CSJ grant is through the Friends and YCW is through the library.

Taylor is now able to use the Grant Advance database to access potential funders and grant streams.

Taylor has spoken with Shelly about running a new t-shirt print. She will be able to do these this summer.

Upcoming Events

Feb 15th – CBAL hosting daycare for Ozobots session

Feb 17th – Pro-D day activities

Feb 20th – Family Day Library Closed

March 2nd – Shelly Grice author reading (not confirmed)

March 13th AGM

March 16th – Author reading with Leesa Dean for her new book Filling Station

April is poetry month watch for upcoming poetry events

Thursdays – Drop in LEGO with Owen

Fridays – Drop in Scrabble

Feb 24th Library Book Club

Feb 24th Friends Tea

Education:

Strategic Plan Community Engagement Session attended.

This meeting discussed the mission, vision, values, and priorities for SD8 for 2024- 2029.

OTHER MEETINGS OR ACTIVITIES OF NOTE: NIL

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Neil



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

MAYOR LOCKWOOD

Mayor Report for Council Meeting held on February 28, 2023.

DOT NIGHT will be on April 5 at the youth center doors open at 6pm and are closed at 7pm.

Salmo Arts Council:

Salmo & Area G Emergency Preparedness:

Citizen Engagement:

Economic Development:

Fire Department:

RDCK:

Board: RDCK has become a member of the Rural Health Network. Staff is applying to FCM – Green Municipal Fund for a Greenhouse Gas Reduction Pathway Feasibility Study and Salmo Recreation Commission will be a part of it if successful. New staff to be hired: One full time, permanent Human Resources Advisor starting June 1, at a cost of \$124,800, One full time Systems Administrator Starting June 1, at a cost of \$138,000, Two Plan Checkers, one in Creston and one in Nelson to start April 1 at a cost of \$89,269.18, One Development Technician for the Creston Office starting April 1, at a cost of \$89,269.18, One part time, Administrative Assistant starting March 15, at a cost of \$42,150 and one full time Payroll specialist to start June 1, at a cost of \$91,000.

Salmo & Area G Recreation Commission: Budget discussions are under way.

Economic Trust of the Southern Interior – BC (ETSI-BC):

Central Resource Recovery: Budget as this point is going to be a 9% increase, still waiting for final numbers.

Joint Resource Recovery: Budget discussions are under way.

West Kootenay Hospital Board: Next meeting will be March 22, 2023.

Other meetings of note:

Mayor's and chair Highway 3 Coalition: Next meeting April 2023

Ministry Meetings:

IHA Mayor's and Chairs regional meeting:

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor/Director Lockwood

