



The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

REGULAR MEETING (#09-23) INCLUDING ITEMS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the Village of Salmo to be held in Council Chambers at 423 Davies Avenue, Salmo, B.C. on **Tuesday, May 9, 2023 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 #09-23 of Tuesday, May 9, 2023 be adopted as amended from *Council Procedure Bylaw #663, 2014 Schedule "A"* to include a New Business section, a Public Question period and an *In Camera* section.

3. Delegations - NIL

4. New Business

5. Adoption of the Minutes

(1) RECOMMENDATION:

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That the draft minutes of Regular Meeting #08-23 of Tuesday, April 25, 2023 be adopted as presented.

6. Referrals from Delegations - NIL

7. Referrals from Prior Meetings

(1) Grant-in-Aid Request: Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre

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RECOMMENDATION:

That Council approve the grant-in-aid request of \$150 for the Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre to assist with the cost of hiring a local performing artist for a free puppet show at the Dandelion Festival.

8. Policy Development & Review - NIL

9. Bylaw Development & Review

(1) Financial Plan (2023-2027) Bylaw #749, 2023

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the “Financial Plan (2023-2027) Bylaw #749, 2023” be given second & third reading.

(2) Annual Tax Rate Bylaw #750, 2023

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the “Annual Tax Rate Bylaw #750, 2023” be given first reading.

That the “Annual Tax Rate Bylaw #750, 2023” be given second & 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 April 21, 2023 to May 4, 2023 totaling \$84,197.86.

11. Correspondence Requiring a Council Decision - NIL

(1) Salmo Lions Club Re: Planting Self-Watering Flower Pots - #23

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RECOMMENDATION:

That Council approve hiring the Salmo Lions Club to plant flowers in the Village’s self-watering flower pots for \$300.

12. Correspondence for Information Only

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receive for information the following correspondence from:

(1) Cathy Peters Re: Update – Child Sex Trafficking in BC and How to Stop it - #21

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(2) Ministry of Post-Secondary Education and Future Skills Re: StrongerBC: Future Ready Action Plan - #22

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13. Member Reports & Inquiries

(1) Councillor Cox

(2) Councillor Heatlie

(2) Councillor Lins

(3) Councillor Neil

(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. In Camera Resolution

- (1) That the meeting be closed to the public under Sections 90(1)(c) of the *Community Charter*.

16. In Camera Items

- (1) Labour

17. Reconvene Open Meeting

18. Adjournment

The next regularly scheduled Council meeting will be on May 23, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.



The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

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REGULAR MEETING #08-23 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, April 25, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

In Person:

Mayor Diana Lockwood
Councillor Jonathon Heatlie
Councillor Jennifer Lins
Councillor Kenzie Neil
CAO James Heth

Members of the Public - 10

Electronically:

Members of the Public – 1

Regrets: Councillor Melanie Cox

CALL TO ORDER:

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

SALMO VALLEY LONG TERM SERVICE AWARD:

Doris Dimock was presented with the Salmo Valley Long Term Service Award.

AGENDA:

R1-08-23

Moved and seconded, that the draft agenda of Regular Meeting #08-23 of Tuesday, April 25, 2023 be adopted as amended from *Council Procedure Bylaw No. 663, 2014* Schedule "B" include awarding the Salmo Valley Long Term Service Award, a New Business section, a Bylaw Development & Review section, and a Public Question Period.

Carried.

DELEGATIONS:

NIL

NEW BUSINESS:

NIL

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

R2-08-23

Regular Meeting
April 11, 2023

Moved and seconded, that the draft minutes of the Regular Council meeting #07-23 of Tuesday, April 11, 2023 be adopted as presented.

Carried.

REFERRALS FROM DELEGATIONS: NIL

REFERRALS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS: NIL

OPERATIONAL REPORTS:

R3-08-23

Civic Works

Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the written report as presented by CAO Heth for the period of April 7, 2023 to April 20, 2023. (see *Appendix A*).

Carried.

R4-08-23
Fire Department

Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the written report dated April 1, 2023 provided by Fire Chief David Hearn for the period of March 2023. (see *Appendix A*).

Carried.

R5-08-23
Bylaw Enforcement

Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the written report on bylaw enforcement for the period of March 2023. (see *Appendix A*).

Carried.

R6-08-23
Administration

Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the written report as presented by CAO Heth. (see *Appendix A*).

Carried.

Strategic Plan

NIL

BYLAW DEVELOPMENT & REVIEW:

R7-08-23
Municipal Reserves
Bylaw Amendment
#747, 2023 – Adoption

Moved and seconded, that the “*Municipal Reserves Bylaw #747, 2023*”, having had three readings, be reconsidered and adopted.

Carried.

R8-08-23
KP Park Bylaw
Amendment #748, 2023
- Adoption

Moved and seconded, that the “*KP Park Campground Bylaw #748, 2023*”, having had three readings, be reconsidered and adopted.

Carried.

R9-08-23
Fireworks Bylaw #515,
2003

Moved and seconded, that Council give express permission to the Fire Department to set off fireworks within the Village limits on July 1, 2023 for the Canada Day Celebration.

Carried.

R10-08-23
Traffic Bylaw #660,
2014

Moved and seconded, that Council approve:

- (a) road closures within the Village limits on July 1, 2023 for the Canada Day parade; and
- (b) staff seeking the required permit for the closure of Highway 6 from the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure.

Carried.

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

R11-08-23
Accounts Payable

Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the list of accounts payable cheques and electronic fund transfers from April 7, 2023 to April 20, 2023 totaling \$91,592.23.

Carried.

R12-08-23
Treasurer's Report

Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the
Treasurer's report for March 2023.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION:

R13-08-23
Grant-In-Aid Request:
Salmo Valley Youth &
Community Centre

Moved and seconded, that Council approve the grant-in-aid request of
\$150 for the Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre to assist with the
cost of hiring a local performing artist for a free puppet show at the
Dandelion Festival.

Council requested more information regarding the event. CAO will ask
for more information and bring forward again at the next meeting.

Tabled.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

R14-08-23

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

- (1) Columbia River Treaty Local Governments Committee Re:
Update on CRT Local Government Committee Activities - #18
- (2) Interior Health Re: Follow Up to the Recent Exemption in BC to
the Controlled Drug & Substances Act - #19

Carried.

MEMBER REPORTS & INQUIRIES:

Councillor Heatlie

- Met with the Chamber of Commerce and discussed Canada Day
involvement. The Chamber confirmed they will host a food concession.

Councillor Lins

Nothing to report.

Councillor Neil

See *Appendix B*.

Mayor Lockwood

See *Appendix B*.

R15-08-23
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:

- questions and discussion regarding housing initiatives by the Village.
- questions and discussion regarding zoning

ADJOURNMENT:
R16-08-23

Moved and seconded, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Carried.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, April 25, 2023.

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

DATE Apr. 20/23
NO 20 TO M1C-APR.25/23
FILE NO 1850-20

Schedule A

VILLAGE OF SALMO



The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

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COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATION FORM

Part A: Applicant or Designate

Name of Organization: Salmo Valley Youth & Community Centre

Address/Phone #: 206 7th Street

Contact Person: Laurie MacDonald

Address/Phone #: 250-357-2320

Part B: About the Applicant

Are the funds being requested for a non-profit organization in the Salmo Valley? Yes

How will this project benefit the people of Salmo? Building capacity in our community for wellness and mental health as an opportunity to connect.

Is a proportionate request being made to other local governments? Yes

Has your group initiated other activities to raise funds (excluding appeals for grants?) NO

If so, please list those activities:

Part C: About the Application

Briefly describe the purpose for which you are requesting this grant:

To offset the cost related to hiring a local performing artist to offer a Free to the community All ages Puppet Show at the Dandelion Festival.

Amount of grant requested: \$150

(Except under extraordinary circumstances, no grant-in-aid shall exceed \$300.)

Amount of Village labour, equipment and supplies requested:



Music and Art Performer Budget Dandelion 2023

REVENUE CONFIRMED

SVYCC	Yes	\$300
Village of Salm	No	\$150.00

TOTAL		\$450.00
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EXPENSE

3 music artist @ \$100 each	\$300.00
One Puppet Show presenter	\$150.00

TOTAL	\$450.00
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THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SALMO

BYLAW #749

A BYLAW TO ADOPT A FIVE-YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN FOR THE YEARS 2023-2027

WHEREAS Section 165 of the *Community Charter*, requires Municipal Councils to annually prepare and adopt, by Bylaw, a five-year financial plan;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Village of Salmo has reviewed, prepared and solicited public input on the attached five-year financial plan;

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

1. SCHEDULES

- 1.1. Schedule "A" attached to and forming part of this Bylaw is hereby adopted as the Financial Plan for the Village of Salmo for the five-year period starting January 1, 2023.
- 1.2. Schedule "B" attached to and forming part of this Bylaw is hereby adopted as the Revenue Policy Disclosure Requirement for the five-year period starting January 1, 2023.

2. ENACTMENT

- 2.1. 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.
- 2.2. This Bylaw shall come into full force and effect on the day of adoption.

3. CITATION

- 3.1. This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "***Financial Plan (2023-2027) Bylaw #749, 2023***".

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

this 11th day of April, 2023
this __ day of ____, 2023
this __ day of ____, 2023
this __ day of ____, 2023

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer

I HEREBY CERTIFY THIS TO BE A TRUE COPY OF THE "FINANCIAL PLAN (2023-2027) BYLAW #749, 2023".

Chief Administrative Officer

2023-2027 FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN

SCHEDULE A

REVENUES	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Property Taxation	472,619	487,476	502,779	517,862	528,752
Sale of services	101,772	103,299	104,848	106,421	108,017
Other revenue own sources	167,456	167,456	167,456	167,456	167,456
Investment income	25,300	22,000	20,000	18,000	18,000
Grants - unconditional	466,000	466,000	466,000	466,000	466,000
Grants - conditional	860,510	251,913	251,913	251,913	251,913
Total General	2,093,657	1,498,144	1,512,996	1,527,652	1,540,138
Water Revenue	198,418	202,203	206,065	210,003	214,020
Sewer Revenue	311,635	321,044	330,796	340,903	351,377
Total Consolidated Revenues	2,603,710	2,021,391	2,049,856	2,078,558	2,105,535
EXPENSES	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
General Government	567,431	573,423	581,279	587,058	600,803
Protective Services	133,739	135,411	137,103	138,817	140,552
Transportation Services	366,811	371,396	376,039	380,739	385,498
Environmental health services	114,626	116,059	117,510	118,978	120,466
Public health and welfare	14,525	14,707	14,890	15,077	15,265
Recreation and cultural services	63,050	63,838	64,636	65,444	66,262
Interest and other debt charges	22,552	22,134	20,363	20,363	18,158
Total General Operations	1,282,734	1,296,967	1,311,820	1,326,476	1,347,004
Water Operations	146,676	149,609	152,601	155,653	158,766
Sewer Operations	297,768	303,723	309,797	315,993	322,313
Total Operations	1,727,177	1,750,299	1,774,218	1,798,123	1,828,084
Amortization	404,497	408,542	412,627	416,753	420,921
Surplus (deficit)	472,036	(137,450)	(136,989)	(136,318)	(143,470)
Add back:					
Amortization	404,497	408,542	412,627	416,753	420,921
Principal payments on Municipal Debt	44,973	23,823	23,823	23,823	15,780
Capital Expenditures					
General	675,099	-	-	-	-
Water	52,000	-	-	-	-
Sewer	80,672	-	-	-	-
Total Capital Expenditures	807,771	-	-	-	-
Transfer to / from Reserves					
Transfer to General Reserves	187,353	177,353	177,353	177,353	177,353
Transfer to Utility Reserves	65,610	69,915	74,462	79,259	84,318
Transfer from General Reserves	(80,672)	-	-	-	-
Transfer from Utility Reserves	(52,000)	-	-	-	-
Total Transfer to (from) Reserves	120,291	247,268	251,815	256,612	261,671
Transfers to (from) operating surplus	(96,502)				
Financial Plan Balance	-	-	-	-	-

2023-2027 FIVE YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN **SCHEDULE A**

CAPITAL FUNDS

COMPONENTS

	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Sources of Funds					
Community Works Grant	80,672	-	-	-	-
General Operating fund	96,502	-	-	-	-
Sewer Operating fund	-	-	-	-	-
Utility Reserves	52,000	-	-	-	-
Other Reserves	-	-	-	-	-
Government Grants	578,597	-	-	-	-
Total Sources	807,771	-	-	-	-
Expenditures					
General	675,099	-	-	-	-
Water	52,000	-	-	-	-
Sewer	80,672	-	-	-	-
Total Expenditures	807,771	-	-	-	-

SCHEDULE "B" – 2023-2027 Five Year Financial Plan

Revenue Policy:

The revenue policy will provide direction on how Council chooses to fund the expenditures of the Village, distribute property taxes among the property classes and use permissive tax exemptions.

Revenue Sources

Table 1

Revenue Source	% Total Revenue
Property Value taxes	18%
Parcel taxes	0%
User fees and charges	19%
Sales of service	4%
Grants - unconditional	18%
Grants - Conditional	32%
Other sources	7%
Reserves	2%
Proceeds from borrowing	0%
TOTAL	100%

Table 1 shows the proportion of total revenue proposed to be raised from each funding source in 2023.

Grants also provide a source of revenue to the municipality. Sales of service and Utility User Fees provide revenue for the municipality on a user-pay basis.

Policy:

Council is committed to examining economic development opportunities and investigating alternative revenue sources in order to reduce historical reliance on property taxes to fund municipal services. The operation of the water utility, the sewer utility and solid waste collection and disposal are self-funded through user fees.

Objectives:

- To maximize a user-pay cost structure wherever possible.
- To maximize the use of grant funding for infrastructure and service upgrades.

Proportion of Taxes Allocated to Classes

Policy:

It is the policy of Council to preserve and maintain the existing equity between assessment classes. The utility class will be taxed at the maximum rate permitted by legislation. The Village will strive to maintain a business to residential multiplier range not exceeding 2 to 1.

Objective:

- To maintain the current tax distribution of property tax value among the property classes.

Permissive Tax Exemptions

Council provides permissive tax exemptions to not-for-profit organizations that form a valuable part of the community. These include religious institutions and the community services society.

Policy:

Council will continue to support local not-for-profit organizations that provide benefits to the community as a whole and are eligible under the *Community Charter* through permissive tax exemptions.

Objective:

To provide permissive tax exemptions to not-for-profit organizations that benefits the overall well-being of the community.

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SALMO

BYLAW #750

A BYLAW TO LEVY TAXES FOR MUNICIPAL, HOSPITAL AND REGIONAL DISTRICT PURPOSES FOR THE YEAR 2023

WHEREAS Section 197 of the *Community Charter* requires Municipal Councils, on or before May 15 of each year, to adopt a bylaw to impose property value taxes by establishing tax rates, for the municipal revenue proposed to be raised for the year from property taxes as provided in the financial plan and for amounts to be collected for the year by means of rates established by the municipality to meet its obligations to other local governments or public bodies;

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

1. TAX RATES

1.1. The following property value tax rates are hereby imposed and levied for the year 2023:

- a) For all lawful **GENERAL** purposes of the municipality on the value of land and improvements taxable for general municipal purposes rates appearing in column "A" of the Schedule attached to and forming part of this bylaw.
- b) For **HOSPITAL** purposes on the value of land and improvements taxable for West Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital District purposes, rates in column "B" of the Schedule attached to and forming part of this bylaw.
- c) For the purposes of the **REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY** on the value of land and improvements taxable for regional hospital district purposes, rates appearing in column "C" of the Schedule attached to and forming part of this bylaw.

1.2. The Collector shall add ten percent (10%) penalty to all current taxes or rates remaining unpaid after July 4, 2023, and interest to unpaid arrears and delinquent property taxes as outlined in Sections 245 and 246 of the *Community Charter*.

1.3. The minimum amount of taxation upon a parcel of real property shall be one (\$1.00) dollar.

2. ENACTMENT

2.1. 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.

2.2. This Bylaw shall come into full force and effect on the day of adoption.

3. CITATION

3.1. This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "*Annual Tax Rate Bylaw #750, 2023*".

READ A FIRST TIME	this ____ day of May, 2023
READ A SECOND TIME	this ____ day of May, 2023
READ A THIRD TIME	this ____ day of May, 2023
RECONSIDERED AND FINALLY ADOPTED	this ____ day of May, 2023

Mayor

Chief Administrative Officer/CO

I HEREBY CERTIFY THIS TO BE A TRUE COPY OF THE "ANNUAL TAX RATE BYLAW #750, 2023".

Chief Administrative Officer/CO

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SALMO

BYLAW #750

SCHEDULE

2023 TAX RATES

(Dollars of tax per \$1,000 of taxable assessed value)

	A	B	C
PROPERTY CLASS	General Municipal	West Kootenay Boundary Hospital	Regional District
1. Residential	1.8285	0.1618	1.4469
2. Utility	40.0000	0.5663	5.0642
5. Light industry	5.3392	0.5501	4.9195
6. Business	5.3392	0.3973	3.5456
8. Recreational/non-profit	3.3476	0.1618	1.4469

Village of Salmo
Accounts Payable April 21 to May 4, 2023

Cheque #	Pay Date	Vendor Name	Description	Paid Amount
016365	2023-04-25	Ace Courier Systems	Water Sample Shipping Expense	\$80.70
016373	2023-05-01	Ace Courier Systems	Water Sample Shipping	\$23.29
016364	2023-04-25	Alumichem Canada Inc.	WWTP Supplies	\$915.04
016356	2023-04-25	Billy's Auto Service	FD 2013 International Maintenance	\$1,008.22
016367	2023-04-27	Brandt Tractor Ltd.	2018 Loader Maintenance	\$472.60
016374	2023-05-01	Commissionaires British Columbia	Bylaw Enforcement	\$315.42
016375	2023-05-01	Dragonfly Cafe	By-Election Expense	\$112.88
016362	2023-04-25	Fortis BC - Natural Gas	Natural Gas Expense	\$1,110.37
016383	2023-05-01	Fortis BC - Natural Gas	Natural Gas Expense	\$39.70
016357	2023-04-25	Fortis BC Inc.	Electricity Expense	\$41.56
016376	2023-05-01	Fortis BC Inc.	Electricity Expense	\$89.22
016366	2023-04-25	Fuhrirous Construction Ltd.	Equipment Building Upgrade	\$15,446.51
016377	2023-05-01	Fuhrirous Construction Ltd.	Equipment Storage Building Upgrade	\$8,165.16
016359	2023-04-25	Innov8 Digital Solutions Inc.	Photocopier Expense	\$729.53
016358	2023-04-25	Isosceles Business Systems Inc	IT Services	\$1,691.20
Pre-Authorized Debit	2023-04-25	Kootenay Savings Credit Union	Service Fees	\$15.00
016360	2023-04-25	Mills Office Productivity	CW/Office Supplies	\$105.47
016379	2023-05-01	Mills Office Productivity	Office Supplies	\$152.97
Pre-Authorized Debit	2023-05-02	Municipal Finance Authority of BC	Short Term Fixed Payment	\$2,450.00
016381	2023-05-01	Redwood Engineering Ltd	Glendale Bridge Repair	\$27,472.08
016380	2023-05-01	Regional District of Central Kootenay	Building Permit Fees	\$734.00
Pre-Authorized Debit	2023-05-01	Royal Bank Central Card Services	Service Fees	\$97.47
016382	2023-05-01	Salmo Foods Ltd	By-Election/Office Supplies	\$117.15
016361	2023-04-25	Summit Truck & Equipment	Sweeper Maintenance	\$1,931.81
016384	2023-05-01	TruGIS Web/ Geospatial	Website Rebuild & Hosting/Maintenance	\$2,509.19
016363	2023-04-25	Union of BC Municipalities	Annual Dues	\$1,040.58
Employee Benefits, Reimbursements and Salaries (PP9, Council 4)				\$17,330.74
Total:				\$84,197.86

DATE May 4/23
NO 23 TO MAY 9/23
FILE NO 0230-20

Brandy Jessup

From: Salmo Lions Club <salmolionsclub@gmail.com>
Sent: May 4, 2023 2:51 PM
To: Village of Salmo; James Heth
Subject: Flowers

VILLAGE OF SALMO



Good afternoon Mayor and Council,

The Salmo Lions Club will continue with the clean up, flower planting, tree trimming, and grass mowing at the Railway Garden park. The Club would like to send a thank you to the Civic Works crew for mowing last year while all the testing spots got put in.

We understand that the planting of the self-watering flower pots last year was hired out. We would like to propose to the Village that the Salmo Lions take on that job of planting all the pots and the money we would receive from the village would go back into our community.

We look forward to your positive response,

Thank you
The Salmo Lions Club

DATE Apr. 25/23
NO 21 TO M+C-MAY 9/2
FILE NO 0220-30

Brandy Jessup

VILLAGE OF SALMO

From: James Heth
Sent: April 25, 2023 8:52 AM
To: Brandy Jessup
Subject: Fw: Cathy Peters update- Child Sex Trafficking in BC and How To Stop It
Attachments: Be Amazing Brochure - December 2022.pdf

From: ca.peters@telus.net <cathy@telus.net>
Sent: Monday, April 24, 2023 8:15 PM
To: James Heth <cao@salmo.ca>
Subject: Cathy Peters update- Child Sex Trafficking in BC and How To Stop It

Dear Mayor Diane Lockwood, Salmo Village Council and staff,

My name is Cathy Peters.
I have been raising awareness about Human Sex Trafficking, Sexual Exploitation and **Child Sex Trafficking and How to stop it**.
I have presented to BC politicians, police and the public for the past 10 years.

BC has the most notorious cases in Canada:

Amanda Todd (victim), Reza Moazami (sex trafficker) and Robert Pickton (sex buyer and serial killer).

British Columbia is a magnet for criminals, organized crime and International crime syndicates.
The current Federal Law, "**The Protection of Communities and Exploited Persons Act**" is not enforced in BC, so sex buyers and sex traffickers act with impunity.
BC urban centers have become sex tourism destinations.
Indigenous women and girls are first casualties.

Attached is my updated brochure and biography.
My website is upgraded. Please view.
beamazingcampaign.org

The **Canadian Sexual Exploitation Summit** is May 3-5. It is virtual and free.
Global experts will be participating.
<https://sexualexploitationsummit.ca>
I will be presenting on "Child Sex Trafficking in Canada and How To Stop It".
Please attend.

I will be at **UBCM in September with a booth** for the "Be Amazing Campaign- To Stop Sexual Exploitation".

Please alert the Provincial Government, Premier, Attorney General and Solicitor General that this issue is a priority in British Columbia.
All emergency services staff need training in this area (police, fire, ambulance, etc).
A Provincial public awareness program is needed.

**ASK: Please share this information with your staff, stakeholders, law enforcement, educators, health providers, emergency service and frontline service providers.
Please contact me for follow up information. Please confirm you have received this email.**

Sincerely, Cathy Peters

BC anti human trafficking educator, speaker, advocate

beamazingcampaign.org

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cell: 604-828-2689

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Medal Recipient for my anti human trafficking advocacy work

Human sex trafficking and sexual exploitation for the purpose of prostitution is the fastest growing crime in the world. It is a lucrative crime targeting our youth, children, and the vulnerable.



You can help stop sexual exploitation starting in your community:

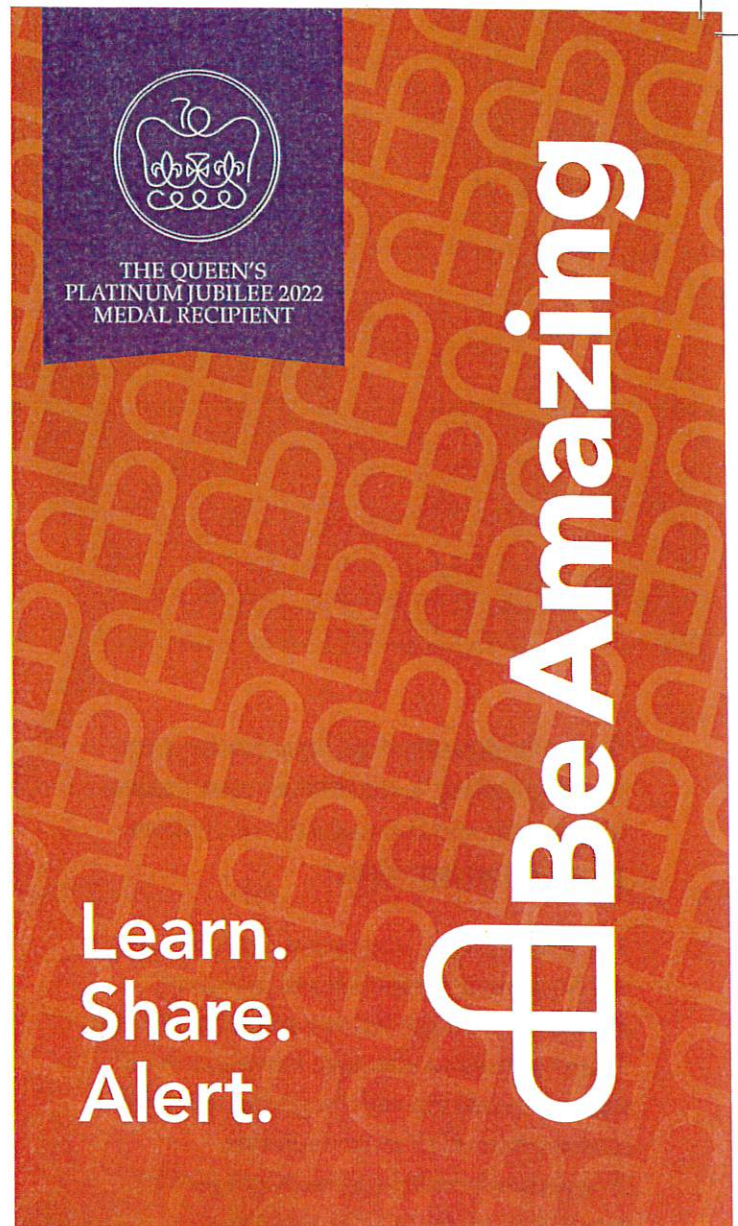
Learn about the issue.

Share it with others.

Alert your politicians that sexual exploitation must stop.

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PRESENTED BY

Cathy Peters

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A modern equal society does not buy and sell women and children.

Cathy Peters raises awareness about the issue of human sex trafficking, sexual exploitation and child sexual trafficking which is for the purpose of prostitution. She speaks and presents to politicians, police and the public.



Today's slavery has low costs and huge profits; a trafficker can make hundreds of thousands of dollars *per victim* per year.

The average age of entry into prostitution is 12–14 years of age in Canada, although traffickers are targeting children as young as 8. There has been a dramatic increase in child exploitation along with the production and consumption of child pornography. Unregulated technology has increased the demand for commercially paid sex.

The biggest problem in Canada is that the public is unaware of the issue. Women, youth, children, the marginalized and vulnerable will become potential targets and victims unless we do something to stop it.

Learn. Share. Alert.
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Cathy Peters is a former inner city high school teacher and, since 2014, has made over 600 presentations to more than 20,000 people.

She has received 14 Challenge Coins from Victoria, Kitimat, North Vancouver, Coquitlam, Richmond, Surrey, and Chilliwack RCMP detachments, RCMP HQ Counter Exploitation Unit, New Westminster Police Department after presenting at the Justice Institute, Federal Corrections, Delta, Abbotsford, and the Vancouver Police Department.

Cathy's work was introduced in the BC Legislature and she was asked to three Federal Justice Committees on human trafficking. She has been a speaker to three MMIWG gatherings, numerous Indigenous groups, and had a booth at the July 2022 Assembly of First Nations Convention where she met hundreds of Indigenous leaders.

Cathy was nominated for an Order of BC Award and for the Carol Matusicky Distinguished Service to Families award. In 2022 she presented at the Global Summit *Connecting to Protect: Addressing the Harms of Porn on Youth from a Public Health Perspective* (University of Calgary) and presented at the first RCMP Human Trafficking webinar for law enforcement across Canada. Cathy received a Queen's Platinum Jubilee Medal for her anti-human trafficking advocacy work.



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May 2, 2023
Our Ref. 129004

I am pleased to share with you information about the provincial government's StrongerBC: Future Ready Action Plan designed to meet the challenges of today, to make sure people in British Columbia are ready to succeed and grow our inclusive and sustainable economy now and into the future.

The Future Ready Action Plan will develop trained, skilled and talented people to fill the jobs of today and tomorrow. It is the BC government's commitment to ensuring everyone in the province can access the post-secondary skills and training they need to build good lives, while developing the talent and skills that businesses and employers need so we can drive our economy forward and deliver the services we all rely on.

As a key pillar of the StrongerBC Economic Plan launched in February 2022, the Future Ready Action Plan invests an additional \$480 million dollars over the next three years in targeted supports to a broad range of British Columbians.

The action plan is focussed on five pillars:

- Making post-secondary more affordable, accessible and relevant;
- Providing the innovation and skills needed to fill the jobs of tomorrow faster;
- Breaking down barriers so everyone can find a job that works for them;
- Addressing Indigenous People's workforce priorities; and
- Making it easier for people new to Canada to find a job in which they are trained.

I am grateful to those who shared feedback and insights during the StrongerBC: Future Ready Action Plan engagement sessions in May 2022. As a result of this collaborative process, I am confident the Action Plan will support British Columbians to acquire the skills they need to succeed in British Columbia's diverse and innovative economy. I am also confident that it will become easier for employers to find the talent and skills they need to sustain and grow their enterprises.

If you would like more information about the Action Plan and how it can benefit you, I encourage you to reach out to my office or participate in one of the roundtables we will be holding over the next few months.

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The Future Ready Action Plan is an historic investment in people—because what helps people succeed in our economy, makes our economy succeed for people.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'SR', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Honourable Selina Robinson
Minister



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SALMO

REPORT FROM MAYOR/DIRECTOR

MAYOR LOCKWOOD

Mayor Report for Council Meeting held on May 9, 2023.

CBT: I will be attending the May 8 community engagement at the Salmo Youth & Community Centre.

Salmo & Area G Emergency Preparedness: We went through how the system worked for the incident that happened. The snowpack for the Kootenay region is slightly above average but the drought forecast is still being called for. How they determine this is by testing under trees to see how much moist there is and how deep it. We remain on flood watch for the next little while.

Citizen Engagement: Salmo Council is reaching out to organizations and individuals to help staff to make July 1 a success.

Public hearing saw approximately 75 people having 15 participants from Salmo speak, one Area G speaker and seven written submissions read out.

RDCK:

Board: Kootenay Emergency Response Physicians Association presented on the work that has been done and what they are doing for our region. They receive zero formal funding and only relies on donations and grants. This organization is who will show up if an event involves heart, life sustaining injuries and/or support for transport to hospital. KERPA are leaders in BC for saving lives.

There was a presentation on workforce housing and what that may look like in Nelson and how that may affect outlying communities.

The climate action plan has been extended. This is your chance to make comment on the plan. May 31 the RDCK will be holding a open house at the Community Center. Time to come.

Contracting to Roth IAMS Ltd for Asset Management Planning and Implementation for a value of \$99,345.00.

Ymir is replacing their water tender for their fire hall.

Salmo & Area G Recreation Commission: Next meeting May 15, 2023

Economic Trust of the Southern Interior – BC (ETSI-BC): Attended AKBLG as a sponsor. The F.I.R. granting stream has ended.

Central Resource Recovery: Next meeting TBA

Joint Resource Recovery: Septage Disposal Facilities Regulatory Bylaw No 1751 increased fees to \$70/tonne with increases in 2025 to \$90/tonne and 2027 to \$110/tonne was passed at the board.

West Kootenay Hospital Board: June 28, 2023

Nelson, Salmo, E, F, & G Regional Parks: Next meeting May 9, 2023

Other meetings of note:

Mayor's and chair Highway 3 Coalition: Next meeting will be at UBCM in September

Ministry Meetings:

IHA Mayor's and Chairs regional meeting:

AKBLG: Conference was April 21-23, 2023. Due to a meeting being cancelled on Friday morning I was able to go on the Ktunaxa Nation Centre Tour. They have an interpretive center there filled with history, so if you find yourself in the area stop by but leave yourself lots of time for reading. Very informative. Thankfully others cancelled allowing me to fill one of those seats.

We had Chris Fields speak about planning and economic development. How to make developing easier and densifying land. Improving zoning to allow more housing on existing residential lots.

He spoke about how communities have fallen out of trust with governments and what it may look like to rebuild that trust. Leadership must make tough decisions and not everyone is going to like those decision, but the elected need to keep the water clean and the sewer moving. He strongly suggested to always try your hardest to have young people on your boards or committees, because they have a different perspective. As local government we are obligated to do our best for future generations.

Resolutions:

- 1- Physician Assistants – work alongside physicians and other health professionals to help produce better outcomes, access for patients and alleviate burnout **endorsed**
- 2- Accessibility Plan Funding – to support local governments in the development and implementation of their accessibility plans **endorsed**
- 3- Cost of Emergency Response – for the province to revisit the funding formula to ensure that first responder costs incurred on the province's behalf by local government responders are fully covered **endorsed**
- 4- Local Emergency Risk Mitigation Authority – UBCM lobby the province to empower Indigenous and local governments and submit and/or alternative strategies to mitigate any identified disaster and emergency risks within their boundaries and commit to the sustained financial and resource support of such emergency risk mitigation strategies without compromising the funding opportunities allocated toward emergency preparedness, response, and recovery **endorsed**
- 5- Funding Model for Emergency management Responsibilities – request the province to create an annual funding model for local governments to more adequately prepare for, and respond to, local emergencies **endorsed**
- 6- 911 Levy – the province to legislate a 911 service levy on telecommunications services to the benefit of all dispatch operators in BC **endorsed**
- 7- Long Term Borrowing for Fire Apparatus Acquisition – to enact legislation to permit regional districts to utilize long-term borrowing from the Municipal Finance Authority over the life-span of fire apparatus without the requirement to go to referendum, subject to the service having been established through a referendum process **endorsed**
- 8- Top-Up Provincial Grants -- top up those grants given to local governments since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic to ensure that projects can be completed **endorsed**

- 9- Better Management and Maintenance of Forest Recreation Sites – commit greater resources to the management and maintenance of forest recreation sites, trails and facilities to ensure that user safety and sanitary conditions are maintained and that facilities, infrastructure and the environment are protected **endorsed**
- 10- Crown Land User Fee – implement a crown land camping fee structure, with the revenues to be used to provide sustainable use amenities and increased funding to the Conservation Officer service for improved education and enforcement **endorsed**
- 11- Legislated mapping and Management Plans in Community Watersheds – enact legislation prescribing tenure holders and developers to prepare detailed watershed mapping including Lidar imagery and comprehensive community watershed management plans in collaboration with water users communities and licensees prior to any development or incursion into consumptive use watersheds to avoid the risk of adversely impacting the hydrological production capacity of these watersheds **endorsed**
- 12- Providing funding to double Transit Service in Rural BC – provide sufficient additional funding to double services in BC regional rural transit systems **endorsed**
- 13- Shared Ethics Commissioner’s Office – to serve local governments in the efficient and effective implementation of Code of Conduct policies **endorsed**

Resolutions **not** endorsed at AKBLG:

Shortage of Qualified Health Care Workers

Supplementing Health Authorities with Regional Boards of Health

Funding for Education and Protective Services Following Decriminalization of Illicit Drugs

Landlord Licensing

Open Burning smoke control Regulation

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor/Director Lockwood

