

REGULAR MEETING (#13-23) 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, July 11, 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: Pg.1

<u>That</u> the draft agenda of Regular Meeting #13-23 of Tuesday, July 11, 2023 be adopted as amended from *Council Procedure Bylaw #663, 2014* Schedule "A" to include a New Business section, a CO Report section, a Public Question period, and an *In Camera* section.

- 3. Delegations NIL
- 4. New Business
- 5. CO Report

(1) RECOMMENDATION:

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<u>That</u> Council receive for information the written report regarding the 1995 Plow Truck as prepared by CO Brandy Jessup.

<u>That</u> Council direct staff to proceed with rebuilding the engine in the current 1995 Plow Truck at an estimated cost of \$20,000, with the funding to come form the Civic Works Machinery and Equipment reserve account.

(2) RECOMMENDATION:

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<u>That</u> Council receive for information the written report regarding major sidewalk and paving projects as prepared by CO Brandy Jessup.

<u>That</u> Council approve amending the budget to include \$15,000 for sidewalk repairs and \$30,000 for road paving, with the money to come from Community Works funds.

6. Adoption of the Minutes

(1) RECOMMENDATION:

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<u>That</u> the draft minutes of Regular Meeting #12-23 of Tuesday, June 27, 2023 be adopted as presented.

7.	Refe	rals from Delegations - NIL			
8.	Refe	rals from Prior Meetings - NIL			
9.	Polic	y Development & Review - NIL			
10.	Bylaw Development & Review - NIL				
11.	Accounts Payable				
		RECOMMENDATION:	Pg.11		
		That Council receive for information the list of accounts payable cheques and electronic fund transfers from June 23, 2023 to July 6, 2023 totaling \$62,479.03.			
12.	Corre	espondence Requiring a Council Decision			
	(1)	Grant-In-Aid Request: Salmo District Golf Course - #33	Pg.13		
13.	Corre	espondence for Information Only			
	3	RECOMMENDATION:			
		That Council receive for information the following correspondence from:			
	(1)	City of Prince George Re: Reimbursing Local Governments for Medical Services Provided by Local Government Fire and Rescue Services - #27	Pg.15		
	(2)	City of Surrey Re: Impact of the Surrey Police Transition on Your City, Town or Regional District - #33	Pg.17		
14.	Member Reports & Inquiries				
	(1)	Councillor Cox			
	(2)	Councillor Heatlie			
	(2)	Councillor Lins			
	(3)	Councillor Neil			
	(5)	Mayor Lockwood			
		RECOMMENDATION:	Pg.21		
		<u>That</u> the verbal and written reports of Mayor and Council be received for information.			
15.	Publ	c Question Period			
16.	In Camera Resolution				
	(1)	<u>That</u> the meeting be closed to the public under Sections 90(1)(a) of the <i>Community Charter</i> .			
17.	In Camera Items				
	(1)	Labour			
18.	Reconvene Open Meeting				
19.	Adjournment				



The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

Report to Council

Report Date:

July 6, 2023

Meeting Date:

July 11, 2023 (#13-23)

From:

Brandy Jessup, CO

Subject:

1995 Plow Truck - Replace Entirely or Rebuild Motor

1. <u>OBJECTIVE</u>

To inform Council on the requirement to either replace the 1995 Plow Truck with a new plow truck or to rebuild the motor.

2. <u>DISCUSSION</u>

2.1. On June 14, 2023, the civic works crew was taking the plow truck in for servicing when it was discovered that the plow truck needs to have the motor rebuilt. The mechanic was able to make the plow truck operational for a short time only. The price for the motor to be rebuilt is estimated at \$20,000. The Civic Works Machinery and Equipment reserve account has a bank balance of \$155,634.13.

3. OPTIONS

- 3.1. That Council direct staff to research the cost of replacing the 1995 Plow Truck with a new one and bring the estimates back to Council.
- 3.2. That Council direct staff to proceed with rebuilding the engine in the current 1995 Plow Truck at an estimated cost of \$20,000, with the funding to come form the Civic Works Machinery and Equipment reserve account.
- 3.3. That Council do neither and contract out snow clearing services.

4. <u>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</u>

- 4.1. That Council direct staff to proceed with rebuilding the engine in the current 1995 Plow Truck at an estimated cost of \$20,000, with the funding to come form the Civic Works Machinery and Equipment reserve account.
- 4.2. Attachments: nil



The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

Report to Council

Report Date:

July 6, 2023

Meeting Date:

July 11, 2023 (#13-23)

From:

Brandy Jessup, CO

Subject:

Request to Amend the 2023 Budget - Major Sidewalk and Road Paving Projects

1. OBJECTIVE

To request Council amend the budget to include funding for major sidewalk and road paving projects in 2023.

2. <u>DISCUSSION</u>

2.1. It was recently discovered that there was no funding allocated to any major sidewalk or road paving projects for 2023. Typically, there is a budget of \$15,000 for sidewalk repairs and \$30,000 for road paving above and beyond normal operational costs but this was somehow missed for this year. In the passed budget, there is only \$8,000 allocated for regular maintenance between these two areas -\$6,000 for patching/paving and \$2,000 for sidewalk maintenance.

3. OPTIONS

- 3.1. That Council approve amending the budget to include \$15,000 for sidewalk repairs and \$30,000 for road paving, with the money to come from Community Works funds.
- 3.2. That Council does not approve amending the budget to include major sidewalk repairs and road paving, resulting in no work being done in those areas.

4. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1. That Council approve amending the budget to include \$15,000 for sidewalk repairs and \$30,000 for road paving, with the money to come from Community Works funds.
- 4.2. **Attachments**: nil



The Corporation of the Village of Salmo



REGULAR MEETING #12-23 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, June 27, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

In Person:

CO Brandy Jessup

Mayor Diana Lockwood

Members of the Public - 3

Councillor Melanie Cox Councillor Jennifer Lins

Electronically:

Councillor Kenzie Neil

Financial Officer Nathan Russ Members of the Public - 0

REGRETS:

Councillor Jonathon Heatlie.

CALL TO ORDER:

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

AGENDA:

R1-12-23

Moved and seconded, that the draft agenda of Regular Meeting #12-23

of Tuesday, June 27, 2023 be adopted as amended from Council

Procedure Bylaw No. 663, 2014 Schedule "B" to include a New Business

section, an Annual & SOFI Report section, additional SOFI Report information, a Public Question Period, and an In Camera section.

Carried.

DELEGATIONS:

NIL

NEW BUSINESS:

Departure

Councillor Neil recused herself at 7:02 p.m. due to a potential conflict

of interest as she is related.

R2-12-23

Moved and seconded, that Council direct staff to write a letter to Mr.

Strata Approval Request and Mrs. Waterstreet confirming approval for them to strata title their

- 405 Main Street

four-plex located at 405 Main Street.

Return

Councillor Neil returned to the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

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

R3-12-23

Moved and seconded, that the draft minutes of the Regular Council

Regular Meeting

meeting #11-23 of Tuesday, June 13, 2023 be adopted as presented.

June 13, 2023

Carried.

Carried.

REFERRALS FROM DELEGATIONS: NIL

REFERRALS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS:

R4-12-23 Fire Truck Apparatus – Motion to UBCM Moved and seconded, that Council support the following resolution and forward it to UBCM for consideration at the 2023 convention: WHEREAS the Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General has indicated that private insurance industry standards are not in the control of the Province of British Columbia;

AND WHEREAS current insurance industry guidelines require fire apparatus to be replaced on a maximum 25-year basis or the fire insurance grades of a community will be adversely affected;

AND WHEREAS the cost to replace fire apparatus is a large financial burden for small communities;

AND WHEREAS a municipality is not permitted to utilize long-term borrowing from the Municipal Finance Authority to purchase new fire apparatus without a costly referendum process;

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED that UBCM ask the Province of British Columbia to enact legislation that permits municipalities to utilize long-term borrowing from the Municipal Finance Authority over a 20-year period, without the requirement to go to referendum;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Province of British Columbia work with insurance underwriters and change legislation to allow the use of older fire apparatus that pass an annual inspection without an affect to the insurance grading of the community.

Carried.

Councillor Cox recorded as opposed.

OPERATIONAL REPORTS:

R5-12-23 Civic Works Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the written report as presented by Civic Works Foreman Fred Paton for June 2023. (see *Appendix A*).

Carried.

R6-12-23 Fire Department Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the written report dated June 1, 2023 provided by Fire Chief David Hearn for the period of May 2023. (see *Appendix A*).

Carried.

R7-12-23 Bylaw Enforcement Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the written report on bylaw enforcement for the period of May 2023. (see *Appendix A*).

Carried.

Administration

NIL

Strategic Plan

NIL

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

R8-12-23

Accounts Payable

Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the list of accounts payable cheques and electronic fund transfers from June 9, 2023 to June 22, 2023 totaling \$93,575.05.

Carried.

R9-12-23

Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's report for May 2023.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION:

R10-12-23

Annick de Goede, Kootenay West Moved and seconded, that Council provide authorization to Kootenay West Distilling to provide samples and sell their liquor at the Salmo Valley Farmers Market for the 2023 season.

Distilling Re: Sampling & Selling Wine at Salmo

Valley Farmers Market

Carried.

R11-12-23

Regional District of Central Kootenay Re:

Draft Bylaw No.2904

Moved and seconded, that Council partner with the RDCK and join the

Regional Accessibility Advisory Committee.

Carried.

R12-12-23

Temporary Road

Closure Request for July

1 Activities

Moved and seconded, that Council approve the temporary road

closure request on July 1, 2023 for strider races.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

R13-12-23

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

- (1) Linda Worley, Chair Columbia River Treaty Local Governments Committee Re: Columbia River Treaty Interim Revenue Sharing Agreements - #28
- (2) KBRH Health Foundation Re: Thank You #29
- (3) District of North Saanich Re: Province of British Columbia's Home for People Action Plan #30

Carried.

MEMBER REPORTS & INQUIRIES:

Councillor Cox

See Appendix B.

Councillor Lins

Councillor Lins reported on attending the SVYCC meeting at 6:00 p.m.

tonight and the concern on SVYCC's closure over the summer.

Councillor Neil

Councillor Neil had nothing to report.

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Mayor Lockwood

See Appendix B.

The Mayor also mentioned that she received a subdivision flow chart from a planner for staff to potentially use and she mentioned that

Canada Day was coming together.

R14-12-23

Moved and seconded, that the verbal and written reports of Mayor

Verbal & Written

and Council be received for information.

Reports of Mayor &

Council

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD:

Mr. Segall mentioned the private climate action meeting that is Farrell Segall

occurring. Mayor Lockwood provided feedback.

Mrs. Harfman thanked civic works for the lack of smell at the WWTP. Virginnia Harfman

IN CAMERA RESOLUTION:

R15-12-23 8:11 p.m.

Moved and seconded, that the meeting be closed to the public under

Sections 90(1)(a) of the Community Charter.

Carried.

Carried.

RECONVENE OPEN MEETING: Council reconvened the regular meeting at 8:36 p.m.

RISE & REPORT:

R16-12-23

Moved and seconded, that Council report the following from their in

camera session:

That Council approve hiring Patricia Dehnel as our on-call planner.

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved and seconded, that the meeting be adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

R17-12-23

Carried.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, June 27, 2023.

Mayor

Corporate Officer

Village of Salmo Accounts Payable June 23 to July 6, 2023

Cheque #	Pay Date	Vendor Name	Description	Paid Amount
016566	2023-07-06	Accura Alarms Security Service Ltd.	Alarm Monitoring, System Maintenance	\$102.38
016561	2023-07-04	Ace Courier Systems	Water Sample Shipment	\$79.29
016565	2023-07-06	Ace Courier Systems	Water Shipment Expense	\$22.96
016567	2023-07-06	Bill's Heavy Duty Enterprises(2004) LTD	Plow Truck Maintenance	\$887.56
016532	2023-06-23	Commissionaires British Columbia	Bylaw Encorcement	\$325.63
016568	2023-07-06	Commissionaires British Columbia	Bylaw Enforcement	\$304.65
016533	2023-06-23	Custom Dozing Ltd.	Road Gravel	\$3,360.00
016569	2023-07-06	Custom Dozing Ltd.	Summer Road Maintenance	\$918.75
016570	2023-07-06	Environmental Operators Certification	WD, WWC, WWTP Annual Dues	\$420.00
016538	2023-06-28	Fortis BC Inc.	Electricity Expense	\$109.79
016563	2023-07-04	Fortis BC Inc.	Electricity Expense	\$2,482.27
016571	2023-07-06	Fortis BC Inc.	Electricity Expense	\$746.32
016539	2023-06-28	Gescan Division of Sonepar Canada Inc.	KP Washrooms Maintenance	\$276.67
016572	2023-07-06	GFL Environmental Inc. 2020	CW/WWTP, Residential Garbage Services	\$11,306.06
016540	2023-06-28	M.O'Connor Contracting	KP & Glendale Maintenance	\$352.50
016535	2023-06-23	Mills Office Productivity	Office Supplies & Campground Receipts	\$57.64
Pre-Authorized Debit	2023-07-05	Municipal Finance Authority of BC	Short Term Fixed Payment	\$2,450.00
016541	2023-06-28	Ninco Construction Ltd.	Glendale Generator Concrete	\$491.78
016536	2023-06-23	Pennywise	Canada Day Advertisement	\$277.66
:016542	2023-06-28	Pennywise	Four Seasons Advertisement	\$513.45
016573	2023-07-06	Pierre Barrette Consulting Inc.	Bi-Weekly Cleaning Service	\$409.50
016537	2023-06-28		Campground Management Fees	\$700.00
016562	2023-07-04	Richens Ann	Campground Management Fees	\$1,380.00
016574	2023-07-06	Rogers	Cell Phone Expense	\$130.72
Pre-Authorized Debit	2023-07-05	Royal Bank Central Card Services	Service Fees	\$323.38
016544	2023-06-28	S.C. Mechanics	2012 F-150 Maintenance	\$1,461.00
016578	2023-07-06	Salmo Lions Club	Canada Day Expenses, Concession & Railway Garden Maintenance	\$512./9
016577	2023-07-06	Salmo Valley Pharmacy	Canada Day, Campground, WWTP Supplies	\$30.85
016575	2023-07-06	Skyway Hardware (1985) Ltd.	Glendale Well, KP Washrooms, Recycling Depot, Shop, WWTP Supplies	\$477.97
016545	2023-06-28	Sunco Communication & Installation	IT Service - July	\$1,129.41
016579	2023-07-06	Sutherland, Melanie	Reimbursement for Fence Damage	\$1,890.00
016564	2023-07-04	Village of Fruitvale	Treatment Plant Permits	\$5,412.50
016546	2023-06-28	West Kootenay Pumps	Glendale Well Maintenance	\$817.49
0,000	the second secon		mbursements, and Salaries (PP13, Council 6)	\$22,318.06
		and the same of th	1 -4-1	\$62,479.03

Schedule A

DATE JUL. 6/23

NO 33 TO MAC JUL. 11/2

FILE NO 0230-20/1850-20

VILLAGE OF SALMO



The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

P.O. Box 1000 Salmo, British Columbia VOG 1Z0 www.salmo.ca

Phone: (250) 357-9433 Fax: (250) 357-9633 Email: <u>info@salmo.ca</u>

COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATION FORM

Part A: Applicant or Designate
Name of Organization: Salmo District Golf Course
Address/Phone #:1346 Airport Rd., Salmo, BC (250) 357-2068
Contact Person: Garrett Street
Address/Phone #: (250) 357-2068
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? Will provide a better golf experience as the sand
will be replenished in the sand traps.
Is a proportionate request being made to other local governments? No
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:
The golf course has been offered free sand for the sand traps but a machine is required to remove
it from its current location up Sheep Creek Rd.
Amount of grant requested: **
(Except under extraordinary circumstances, no grant-in-aid shall exceed \$300.)
Amount of Village labour, equipment and supplies requested: Three hours of machine time. A
Village staff member is volunteering his time so there is no labour cost. Approximate cost



is \$195 for equipment use.

SALMO DISTRICT GOLF COURSE

Grant-In-Aid

ANITICPATED BUDGET FOR SAND TRANSFER

Requested: 3 hours of Village dump truck.

Dump Truck @ \$65/hr = \$195.00 Labour – volunteered = \$0.00

The total estimated cost of this grant-in-aid request is \$195.00

Brandy Jessup

NO 31 TO MAC-JULIN/23

From:

Kellett, Leslie < Leslie.Kellett@princegeorge.ca>

VILLAGE OF SALMO

Sent:

June 28, 2023 2:47 PM

Subject:

City of Prince George Resolution Submission to 2023 UBCM Convention

Attachments:

City of Prince George Resolution - Reimbursing Local Governments for Medical Services

Provided by Local Government Fire and pdf

Good afternoon, Mayor and Council,

At the June 26, 2023 regular council meeting, City of Prince George Council approved submitting a resolution to the 2023 UBCM Convention regarding "Reimbursing Local Governments for Medical Services Provided by Local Government Fire and Rescue Services" and further resolved to share this resolution with UBCM member municipalities.

We appreciate your consideration to support this resolution at the 2023 UBCM Convention.

Sincerely,



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City of Prince George

Resolution Submitted to the 2023 UBCM Convention

Reimbursing Local Governments for Medical Services Provided by Local Government Fire and Rescue Service

WHEREAS communities across British Columbia are facing a significant increase in calls to respond to emergency medical incidents;

AND WHEREAS local governments provide for their fire departments to support prehospital patient care in their community by providing emergency medical services that assist the Provincial Government's BC Ambulance Service;

AND WHEREAS the costs associated with supporting prehospital care by local government fire departments has increased significantly in relation to response hours and increased use of first aid and other medical supplies and that such costs are funded solely through local government property taxation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Provincial Government develop a funding model to compensate local governments who provide emergency medical services through their fire and rescue services fulfilling the responsibility of the provincial government with consideration given to community population and the fire department's authorized level of emergency medical response.

DATE JUL. 4/23

NO 32 TO M+C-JUL. 11/23

FILE NO 0 400-60

VILLAGE OF SALMO

CITY OF SURREY

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

July 4, 2023

Salmo (Village) 423 Davies Avenue Salmo, BC VoG 1Zo

By email: cao@salmo.ca

Dear Mayor and Council,

It is important for local governments to know the impact of the Surrey Police Transition on your city, town or regional district, should it go ahead.

As you may know, Surrey Council voted to keep the RCMP as the police of jurisdiction (POJ). We communicated our decision to the Solicitor General (SG) who, continued to "recommend" that the city stay with the transition to the Surrey Police Service (SPS), but asked that the City choose between two options,

- 1) To continue the transition to the SPS with no evaluation of the SPS model.
- 2) To stay with the RCMP as the POJ with conditions.

The Premier, the SG and the Ministry's report recognize that it is the role of municipalities to choose their policing model. The SGs' authority under the Act is a safety net if the "adequate and effective" policing standard is not met. It does not grant the SG the authority to impose hundreds of millions of dollars' worth of costs into the municipal budget on a political whim.

I am writing to you today for two reasons.

Firstly, is to express my deep concern for the statements made by the provincial government and the Solicitor General suggesting that should Surrey remain with the RCMP would create a public safety crisis; this is not truthful.

In fact, the ministry's own report states "It is not based on a failure by police to deliver adequate and effective policing nor a failure in public safety. Quite the opposite is true, front-line officers in the SPS and the RCMP are working hard to serve those who reside in and visit Surrey". It went on to say "This Director's Report is not a comparative assessment of the two police models. It is also not intended to provide a comprehensive assessment of the impacts of continuing with the current police transition to the SPS."

This interference should have significant concern to local government if the SG establishes a precedent of indiscriminately imposing massive costs onto



Brenda Locke mayor

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municipal government with no rationale other than vaguely referencing public safety concerns. Adequate and effective policing is in place in our city and our province, and for the Premier and the Solicitor General to infer there is a public safety crisis is not supported by data.

The central fear articulated by the premier and SG is the sudden dissolution of the SPS may lead to a walk out. The SPS Board has provided assurances that the SPS officers will remain on duty. Because the SPS Board reports to the province (not the city), they will take its instructions from the Ministry of the Solicitor General and Public Safety. One simple mandate letter from the province would remove the only concern for this public safety threat.

On the other hand, approving the SPS would create massive pressure on policing in the province, which would not exist if we remained with the RCMP. The only police training facility in the province, the JIBC, was past its capacity to meet the needs of municipal policing in BC even before the SPS was established. It is also important to recognize that police officer training at the JIBC has been under scrutiny. In order to properly address the police training needs in British Columbia would require expanding the JIBC. To date, the provincial budget has not addressed this expensive and time-consuming need. Waiting years for the JIBC training to fill the SPS cadet requirement will not only cost Surrey millions in time delays, but it will also impact other municipal police forces who cannot get seats at the JIBC.

Therefore, the only other route to full capacity for the SPS is hiring experienced police officers from your communities as they have done to date.

If the SG were to impose the SPS on Surrey, I would strongly recommend you communicate directly to the SG that you expect him to impose the same "public safety" restrictions on the SPS hiring from LMD communities as he has placed on the RCMP.

Secondly, and perhaps more important to local governments, is the financial and human resource impact that continuing with the Surrey Police Transition will have on every city, town, transit police and regional district in the province.

The SG's plan to move forward with the SPS will cost you financially if you are currently an RCMP jurisdiction. As RCMP divisional administrative costs are shared costs among all RCMP jurisdictions, so far it is estimated that because of the size of the Surrey detachment, your policing costs will increase by up to 7%.

If you are served by a municipal police force, it is important to know that the provincially appointed Surrey Police Board signed the richest collective agreement in Canada. This agreement will likely impact all future municipal police board negotiations.

The Surrey RCMP requires approx. 170 officers to return to full complement. Over 80 SPS officers have expressed interest in making this move according to the Officer in Charge. Further, the RCMP has stated that they can and will accommodate the human resource needs, not only to Surrey, but throughout the region, with the new recruiting and experienced officer programs.

In contrast, the Surrey Police Service (SPS) requires over 400 additional officers beyond those hired to date, to get to full strength. Although the province recognized the scope of the Surrey police transition from the beginning, they did not increase the funding to the Justice Institute of British Columbia (JIBC) in order to accommodate the officer training needed. The reality is that, just as the SPS has done to date, the vast majority of the SPS hires will come by recruiting from the RCMP, TransLink and other municipal forces throughout the province.



In closing,

My concern is the duplicity of the provincial government on this matter. The Ministry report and SG explicitly stated that we had two choices - to remain with the RCMP or the SPS - and conditions to meet with either option.

Based on the facts we examined, we chose the RCMP - with a more significant majority of council than we had originally - and we have committed to meeting the binding conditions.

The SGs' response is to move the goalposts and claim the need to review the plan and potentially overturn the council decision. I have offered to work with the province to ensure the requirements are met, and the province refuses to acknowledge the offer.

As local government leaders, we need to stand up for our authority under the Police Act. Like with your municipality, Surrey Council knows our community best. We cannot allow a "manufactured crisis" to drive a significant and costly public safety decision that will impact generations to come.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Brenda Locke Mayor





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

WATOK LOCKWOOD

Mayor Report for Council Meeting held on July 11, 2023.

Salmo & Area G Emergency Preparedness:

Fire Department: Thank a person that serves on the fire department. These people are ready to go at any moment. Thank you for the wonderful work done for the fireworks. Many compliments to you all for the time you put in for our community.

Citizen Engagement: Canada Day celebrations were fantastic. We have people from Alberta that come every year because we all do such a great job, many Americans, whom I got to meet, came because they hear how good of a time we have, and people that come to play slow pitch and people that just enjoy coming back to their hometown. The park was packed on Saturday and lots of kids on Sunday. I received many thanks for all Salmo does to put on this weekend and my response was "We have a great community that loves to give back".

RDCK:

Board: Next meeting July 20, 2023

Salmo & Area G Recreation Commission: Next meeting September 11, 2023

All Recreation Committee: Discussion about Fees and Charges and making it the same across the RDCK.

Economic Trust of the Southern Interior – BC (ETSI-BC): We heard from Nelson & District Chamber of Commerce, Community Futures East Kootenay's, Community Futures West Kootenay's, and Selkirk College how ETSI-BC has benefited the Kootenay through opportunities provided and how beneficial it is to hear back about receiving or not receiving funding. Our annual meeting has the election of Officer's and committee Members and our audited financial statements.

Central Resource Recovery: Next meeting TBA

Joint Resource Recovery: Next meeting July 19, 2023

West Kootenay Hospital Board: June 28, 2023, has been cancelled. Next meeting October 25, 2023.

Nelson, Salmo, E, F, & G Regional Parks: Next meeting September 12, 2023

Other meetings of note:

Mayor's and chair Highway 3 Coalition: Next meeting will be at UBCM on September 17, Sunday evening.

Ministry Meetings:

IHA Mayor's and Chairs regional meeting: TBA

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor/Director Lockwood