



# The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

## REGULAR MEETING #11-23 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 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:**

<u>In Person:</u>	CAO James Heth
Mayor Diana Lockwood	Members of the Public - 4
Councillor Melanie Cox	
Councillor Jonathon Heatlie	<u>Electronically:</u>
Councillor Jennifer Lins	Members of the Public – 1
Councillor Kenzie Neil	

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

**AGENDA:**

R1-11-23 Moved and seconded, that the draft agenda of Regular Meeting #11-23 of Tuesday, June 13, 2023 be adopted as amended from *Council Procedure Bylaw #663, 2014* Schedule "A" to include a New Business section, a Discussion section, a CAO Report section, a Public Question period and an *In Camera* section.

Carried.

**DELEGATIONS:** NIL

**NEW BUSINESS:** NIL

**DISCUSSION:**

R2-11-13 Council discussed construction of a shelter to display the old fire truck.  
Cover for Retired Fire Truck

Moved and seconded, that staff consult with the Fire Department and bring a proposal for a display shelter back to Council.

Carried.

**CAO REPORT:**

R3-11-23 Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the written report as prepared by CAO James Heth.

Carried.

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

R4-11-23 Moved and seconded, that the draft minutes of the Public Hearing of  
Public Hearing Wednesday, May 3, 2023 be received for information.  
May 3, 2023

Carried.

R5-11-23 Moved and seconded, that the draft minutes of Regular Meeting #10-  
Regular Meeting 23 of Tuesday, May 23, 2023 be adopted as presented.  
May 23, 2023

Carried.



R10-11-23                      Moved and seconded, that the Village receive the given old school bell and determine a plan to use at a later time. Carried.

Mayor Lockwood              See *Appendix A*.

R11-11-23                      Moved and seconded, that the verbal and written reports of Mayor and Council be received for information. Carried.  
Verbal & Written  
Reports of Mayor &  
Council

**PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD:**

It was noted that a history of the old school bell could be incorporated into any future display.

**IN CAMERA RESOLUTION:**

R12-11-23                      Moved and seconded, that the meeting be closed to the public under Sections 90(1)(a)(d) & 90(2)(c) of the *Community Charter*. Carried.

**RECONVENE OPEN MEETING:** Council reconvened the regular meeting at 9:33 p.m.

**RISE & REPORT:**

R13-11-23                      Moved and seconded, that Council report the following from their *in camera* session:  
  
That Council appoints Brandy Jessup as the Village of Salmo Corporate Officer. Carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

R14-11-23                      Moved and seconded, that the meeting be adjourned at 9:34 p.m. Carried.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, June 13, 2023.

Originally Signed By:

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Diana Lockwood  
Mayor

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Brandy Jessup  
Corporate Officer



# APPENDIX A



## THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SALMO REPORT FROM COUNCIL

### COUNCILLOR NEIL

Council Report for Council Meeting held on June 13, 2023.

### PORTFOLIOS

**Library Board Meeting June 12<sup>th</sup>.**

**Library Director's Report – May/beginning of June 2023**

#### Community, Events & Programs

The return of the Annual Scrabble tournament was as success. We had 20 participants and 10 volunteers helping out. Thank you to our supporters, Salmo Community Resources and the Healthy Living grant, CBAL, Dragonfly, and the Friends of the Library.

Author reading with Ron Verzuh – 13 people attended this history presentation about Trail. Taylor purchase his 2 local history books for the collection

Reading Garden is starting to see some regular usage. For May the Friends held their tea out there, and then the library bookclub also enjoyed the beautiful space.

NavCare hosted an information event to which 9 people attended. We are looking forward to hosting them again for an evening presentation on Tuesday, June 20th at 6pm

We have been supporting 4 local bookclubs from Sept until June. Three of these clubs are wrapping up for the season and one will carry on through summer. There are 46 community members who partook these last months and we circulated 41 titles

Mary Blue at the Salmo Estates – over the 2 May session there were 17 people who borrowed or browser the collection.

During the month of July Taylor will be doing a major update to the website with the support of the BC Libraries coop

CBALs BabyGoose has wrapped up. It wasn't a successful as it has been. The time of the year is when families are starting to spend more time outside.

Tech café will wrap up for the summer on June 26th.

## Grants and Funding

No CSJ grant for a student. Library Board has okayed using some of the Provincial one-time funding to support a student job

We had 12 students apply for the 2 positions! We interviewed 10 of them and hired Owen Thornton for the page job, and Bridget Hanson as the SRC coordinator. The jobs officially start on June 26th but you should start to see them around before that as they pre materials and connect with the schools before summer break.

CBT Climate resiliency Grant - Heat Pumps are up and running! The new lights will be getting installed throughout the summer

Thanks to the CVITP volunteers, Taylor was able to apply for a Federal Grant for this service. The library could receive up to \$1750

Taylor submitted the required Annual Statistical report the province, and the bookkeeper submitted the Library SOFI.

The upcoming shelving updates in the junior section and downstairs in the programming materials area is thanks to the DOT night funds and the Salmo Valley Fund. We hope to have this shelving project completed by the end of summer

## Upcoming Events

June 12th 6pm – Volunteer BBQ

June 20th at 6pm – Nav Care workshop

June 21st – Mary Blue at Estates

June 23rd – Friends Tea

June 26th – SRC student jobs start

June 30th - bookclub

July 1st – Booksale!

Next Library Meeting Sept 11/2023

## Education Portfolio:

Salmo Elementary will be getting a new Principal next year, Misty Terpstra.

Request to relocate the old school bell off the school property from Mrs Snell as they feel it is fragile any not safe for kids to be climbing on.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor Neil



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

### **MAYOR LOCKWOOD**

Mayor Report for Council Meeting held on June 13, 2023.

#### **Salmo & Area G Emergency Preparedness:**

**Fire Department:** As we go into fire season, this is a good time to make sure you have a grab and go bag ready at your front door or in your vehicle if you don't already. Also, have a plan for your pets and animals along with planning with family or friends.

I would like to thank the fire department for hosting an evening with council and CAO as we learned how the trucks function, actions that happen, conversation about the old fire truck and having a paid staff member.

**Citizen Engagement:** I have had lots of inquiry about the climate-action plan community input session that had been postponed. Yes, there will be engagement this year about the plan. It will be advertised, posted to our website and Facebook page, and put on both bulletin boards. There are hard copies of the Climate Action Workbook in the Village Office.

#### **RDCK:**

**Board:** Next meeting June 15, 2023

**Salmo & Area G Recreation Commission:** Major renovations to upgrade the Salmo outdoor pool mechanical room have officially begun. The project, which is slated to take approximately six weeks at the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) facility, is a complete overhaul of the mechanical room which includes two new high efficiency boilers, an additional sand filter, new plumbing, and a new chemical feeding system.

With the previous mechanical system at end of life, this upgrade will improve safety for staff working in the mechanical room. For the pool itself, it will have improved overall circulation and increased filtration, which will result in cleaner water. The pool will still use chlorine-based disinfection. Pursuant to the Public Health Act, all public pools must have residual chlorine in the water.

**Economic Trust of the Southern Interior – BC (ETSI-BC):** Next meeting June 23, 2023

**Central Resource Recovery:** Next meeting TBA

**Joint Resource Recovery:** Next meeting June 14, 2023

**West Kootenay Hospital Board:** June 28, 2023

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

**Federation of Canadian Municipalities:** The conference gave me opportunity to connect with local governments from across the country while learning through workshops and having great engagement about innovation on how to do things better while taking care of the place we call home.

FCM spoke to us about the Green Municipal Fund and how it can be better utilized. There was conversation around small municipalities not having the capacity within their organizations to have projects ready to go nor the money to make this happen. We are allowed to stack GM funding with the Federal and Provincial government grants and do projects in a phased approach. Net-zero multi building with an energy saving model, electric bus, affordable housing are some examples of this funding. FCM can do a presentation for council if that is wanted.

Housing affordability with wrap around supports can be beneficial to communities in multitude ways. The two orders of government need a full plan not just housing. Affordability is 30% of a household income which can mean different kinds of housing needed such as workplace housing for example.

Immigrants can be and are being exploited and we need to do a better job because as we know we do not have enough people to work in this country. We need to stay strong and if we are wanting to resolve the housing crisis, we need to continue to improve the partnership with the Federal and Provincial Governments. FCM and the other orders of government need to make it easier in the granting opportunities for smaller communities. The expense to have a shovel ready project that involves reports then doesn't get funded is an expense small communities can not afford. We need to start thinking outside the box and partnering with the private sector in some way and we need to change empty buildings into housing. Are building officials holding up progress in some way, was a question.

There are more women leaving government in leadership positions than wanting to run for a position because of harassment and abuse from public. Social media has exploded with attacks of bullying, harassment, hate, and racism. These people making these remarks are looking for a reaction from you or others. The best reaction for everyone is to say, "This is unacceptable behaviour and we all can do better." When you say nothing to these remarks you are apart of the problem.

This was interesting to listen to this - permacrisis is the most used word right now signaling a loss or trust in progress, but a realism how people cope and what they can achieve.

*"Permacrisis" is a term that perfectly embodies the dizzying sense of lurching from one unprecedented event to another, as we wonder bleakly what new horrors might be around the corner. Stated by David Shariatmadari*

**Other meetings of note:**

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

**Ministry Meetings:** June 21, 2023, and I will be putting in for meetings at UBCM

**IHA Mayor's and Chairs regional meeting:** TBA

**FortisBC Long -Term Resource Planning Update:**



Four pillars were presented.

1. Renewable and low-carbon gas,
2. Energy Efficiency,
3. Zero and low-carbon transportation,
4. Marine fueling and global LNG.

FortisBC wants to ensure cost effective, secure, and reliable energy for customers, provide cost-effective demand-side management and cleaner customer solutions, and ensure consistency with provincial energy objectives – GHG reduction targets.

As consumers, we should never put all our eggs in one basket, meaning we should use different kinds of resources at the appropriate times as in the right times, right amount, and right fuel.

A residential “Peak Saver” demand response is planned to launch July 2023. For more information about this you can go to [PeakSaver@fortisbc.com](mailto:PeakSaver@fortisbc.com).

People that have electric vehicles can very quickly start saving money by charging after 9pm until 6am which is outside of peak hours. If you have not already unlocked the function in your EV vehicle, you can and then schedule the times of charging.

FortisBC is going through engagement about their long-term resource plan right now, so if you would like to have input, please do.

Respectfully submitted,

**Mayor/Director Lockwood**

