



The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

REGULAR MEETING #01-24 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, January 9, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

<u>In Person:</u>	CAO Ange Qualizza
Mayor Diana Lockwood	Members of the Public - 1
Councillor Jonathon Heatlie	<u>Electronically:</u>
Councillor Jennifer Lins	Members of the Public – 0
Councillor Kenzie Neil	

REGRETS: Councillor Melanie Cox.

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

AGENDA:
R1-01-24 Moved and seconded, that the draft agenda of Regular Meeting #01-24 of Tuesday, January 9, 2024 be adopted as amended from *Council Procedure Bylaw #663, 2014* Schedule "A" to include a New Business section, an Operational Reports 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.)

R2-01-24 Moved and seconded, that the draft minutes of Regular Meeting #21-
Regular Meeting 23 of Tuesday, December 12, 2023 be adopted as presented.
December 12, 2023

Carried.

REFERRALS FROM DELEGATIONS: NIL

REFERRALS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS: NIL

POLICY DEVELOPMENT & REVIEW: NIL

BYLAW REVIEW & DEVELOPMENT: NIL

OPERATIONAL REPORTS:

R3-01-24 Moved and seconded, that Council award the Solar Array System Village Office contract to Power Tech Electric Ltd./Power Tech Climate Control and further, that Council award the Solar Array System Public Works Building contract to Power Tech Electric Ltd./Power Tech Climate Control.

Carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

R4-01-24

Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the list of accounts payable cheques and electronic fund transfers from December 8, 2023 to January 4, 2024 totaling \$126,714.32.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION:

R5-01-24

Moved and seconded, that Council direct staff to write a letter of support to the Renal Advocacy Group for their initiative to bring Hemodialysis to the Kootenay Lake Hospital.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

R6-01-24

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

- (1) Ministry of Municipal Affairs Re: Thank You for Meeting - #65
- (2) BC Emergency Health Services Re: Positive Changes in the Delivery of Pre-Hospital & Community Paramedic Care in Your Community - #67
- (3) Salmo & Area Supportive Housing Re: New Housing Initiative - #68
- (4) Dr. Bashir Makhoul, University Canada West Re: Introduction as the Newly Appointed President & Vice-Chancellor - #69
- (5) Taylor Caron, Salmo Valley Public Library Re: Amendment to 2024 Library Budget - #70

Carried.

MEMBER REPORTS & INQUIRIES:

Councillor Heatlie

Nothing to report, would like to schedule time with the CAO to discuss the Chamber and Mining Exhibit.

Councillor Lins

Superintendent meeting update.

Councillor Neil

Superintendent meeting update.

Mayor Lockwood

See *Appendix A*.

R7-01-24

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: NIL

IN CAMERA RESOLUTION:

R8-01-24

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

Carried.

RECONVENE OPEN MEETING: Council reconvened the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

R9-01-24

Moved and seconded, that the meeting be adjourned.

Carried.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, January 9, 2024.

Originally Signed By:

Diana Lockwood

Mayor

Ange Qualizza

Chief Administrative Officer/CO

APPENDIX A



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

MAYOR LOCKWOOD

Mayor Report for Council Meeting held on January 9, 2024.

I truly hope you all had a restful time through the holiday season.

Salmo & Area G Emergency Preparedness: We have lots of winter left as we head into January. Preparedness for any event contributes to a restful mind.

Fire Department: The review over the replacement of the fire engine is in progress.

Citizen Engagement: It was a pleasure seeing people supporting local businesses before and during the season.

Salmo Arts Council: They were busy before the season putting on craft events. Check them out on their Facebook page or through their email s.d.artcouncil@gmail.com

RDCK:

Board: As housing becomes more and more of a crisis, the electoral areas are looking at how to unlock land to develop housing. It is different for electoral areas than municipalities when there is no infrastructure to build multi-units.

Resource Recovery Facilities Regulatory Bylaw has had three readings and been adopted. Garbage is an expensive topic, and we would all like it to be "free". Someone must be responsible for the trash that is made; that someone is all the residents in the RDCK. If we want prices to go down, we need to stop producing so much garbage. If it is made "free", that just means your taxes need to go way up because that is who the free comes from.

SRK Consulting is the Engineer-of-Record and support at the HB Tailings Facility and has been granted the work for 2024 in the amount of \$228,117 not including GST.

I continue to sit on the West Kootenay Transit Committee with Director Popoff and Alternate Director Newell.

We are requesting more time (April 30) from the province to give feedback for the Emergency Management and Climate Readiness new regulations. We are not sure if it will be granted but it would give staff more time to be more thorough.

The board will have a workshop on the provincial emergency and disaster management legislation regarding the Regulations for Local Authorities.

We adopted the RDCK strategic plan with very minor changes.

The RDCK website request for proposal is out for bid.

Appointments for the Regional Accessibility Advisory Committee has been released with six people and two alternates.

Salmo & Area G Recreation Commission: Next meeting January 22, 2024

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

Central Resource Recovery: Budget meeting February 21, 2024

Joint Resource Recovery: Next meeting January 17, 2024

West Kootenay Hospital Board: Next meeting January 24, 2024

Nelson, Salmo, E, F, & G Regional Parks: Next meeting March 12, 2024

Other meetings of note:

Mayor's and chair Highway 3 Coalition: Next meeting TBD

Ministry Meetings:

IHA Mayor's and Chairs regional meeting: TBA

Columbian Basin Trust Corporation: The Trust continues to actively work on the project and is pleased with progress to date.

Project information here: [Fruitvale to Nelson Fibre Optic Backbone Project | Broadband \(ourtrust.org\)](#)

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor/Director Lockwood