



The Corporation of the Village of Salmo

REGULAR MEETING #13-24 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, September 10, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

<u>In Person:</u>	Deputy CO Brandy Jessup
Mayor Diana Lockwood	Members of the Public - 1
Councillor Jennifer Lins	<u>Electronically:</u>
Finance Officer Nathan Russ	Councillor Melanie Cox
CAO Derek Kwiatkowski	Members of the Public - 0

REGRETS: Councillor Kenzie Neil.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Lockwood called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

AGENDA:

R1-13-24 Moved and seconded, that the agenda of Regular Meeting #13-24 of Tuesday, September 10, 2024 be adopted as amended from *Council Procedure Bylaw #663, 2014* Schedule "A" to include a Financial Report section, a New Business section, and a Public Question period.

Carried.

DELEGATIONS: NIL

FINANCIAL REPORT:

R2-13-24 Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the Second Quarter Financial Statement dated June 30, 2024 as presented by Financial Officer Nathan Russ.

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

R3-13-24 Moved and seconded, that Council provide approval for the Regional Floodplain Mapping & Floodplain Management Bylaw Review & Update

Floodplain Mapping & Floodplain Management Bylaw Review & Update

Moved and seconded, that Council provide approval for the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) to apply to the Ministry of Emergency Management and Climate Readiness Disaster Resilience and Innovation Funding (DRIF) Program, in support of updating the Village of Salmo's floodplain mapping and Floodplain Management Bylaw, for the full amount of eligible costs, and that such funding be received and managed by the RDCK in partnership with the Village of Salmo.

Carried.

R4-13-24 Moved and seconded, that staff be directed to prepare an updated Procedures Bylaw Update

Procedures Bylaw Update

Moved and seconded, that staff be directed to prepare an updated procedures bylaw for consideration.

Carried.

MINUTES: NIL

REFERRALS FROM DELEGATIONS: NIL

REFERRALS FROM PRIOR MEETINGS: NIL

POLICY DEVELOPMENT & REVIEW: NIL

BYLAW REVIEW & DEVELOPMENT: NIL

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE:

R5-13-24

Moved and seconded, that Council receive for information the list of accounts payable cheques and electronic fund transfers from August 23, 2024 to September 5, 2024 totaling \$129,116.05.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING A COUNCIL DECISION: NIL

CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION ONLY: NIL

MEMBER REPORTS & INQUIRIES:

Councillor Cox

Councillor Cox noted that she will be away for the next meeting.

Councillor Lins

Councillor Lins mentioned the toy run was a success.

Mayor Lockwood

See *Appendix A*. Mayor Lockwood also mentioned that Aaron Burke is our new CBT rep.

R6-13-24

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

ADJOURNMENT:

R7-13-24

Moved and seconded, that the meeting be adjourned.

Carried @ 7:22 p.m.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, September 10, 2024.

Originally Signed By:

Diana Lockwood

Mayor

Derek Kwiatkowski

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 September 10, 2024.

Salmo & Area G Emergency Preparedness Committee: Next meeting October 7, 2024

Fire Department:

Citizen Engagement: See attachment about the new permanent MRI for KBRH.

Salmo & District Arts Council:

RDCK:

Board: Next meeting September 12, 2024

All Recreation: Next meeting September 25, 2024

Salmo & Area G Recreation Commission: Next meeting September 9, 2024

Economic Trust of the Southern Interior – BC (ETSI-BC): Next meeting October 3, 2024

Central Resource Recovery: Next meeting TBD

Joint Resource Recovery: Next meeting October 16, 2024

West Kootenay Hospital Board: Next meeting October 23, 2024

Nelson, Salmo, E, F, & G Regional Parks: Next meeting September 10, 2024, this was cancelled due to a conflict to another meeting. It will be rescheduled for October

Parks, Trails, Water Access Working Group: Next meeting TBD

Emergency Program Executive Committee: Next meeting TBD

West Transit: Next meeting TBD

Other meetings of note:

Mayor's and chair Highway 3 Coalition: Next meeting September 16, 2024

Ministry and/or MLA Meetings: As the vice chair for the RDCK I will be attending three ministry meetings during UBCM.

Respectfully submitted, Mayor/Director Lockwood

New MRI coming to Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital

September 6, 2024

People in the Kootenay Boundary will have increased access to a new MRI suite at Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital (KBRH) in Trail.

"People living in the Kootenay Boundary will have access to timely scans through this new state-of-the-art MRI suite, providing increased diagnostic testing close to home," said Adrian Dix, Minister of Health. "This new MRI will reduce wait times and improve imaging accuracy. Our government is committed to ensuring that patients get the diagnosis, treatment planning and followup where and when they need it."

With the approval of the business plan for the new MRI suite, KBRH will be able to accommodate more complex-care exams and reduce the need to transfer patients to other service areas. The new MRI will make a significant improvement to quality of care and increase accessibility to services for vulnerable patients, including those with serious conditions, disabilities, pediatric and elderly patients, and those experiencing mental-health challenges.

"This new MRI suite will ensure more medical scans and diagnoses will be closer to home for people in Trail and throughout the region," said Jennifer Rice, Parliamentary Secretary for Rural Health. "This new suite is another example of the actions we are taking to ensure people living in rural and remote areas have access to the quality health care they need."

The current MRI suite is located in a mobile trailer, which limits services to monitored patients, bariatric patients, and sedated patients. The new MRI suite will be located in an integrated space in the hospital, and will support KBRH as a Regional Oncology Centre, Level 3 Trauma Referral Centre, and Regional Stroke Centre.

"We are taking steps to ensure that people have access to MRI scanning without having to travel far away from home," said Katrine Conroy, MLA for Kootenay West. "This new suite will mean improved care for patients with conditions like strokes, brain and spinal tumors that often limit mobility. It's just one more action we are making to ensure people across the region get high-quality health care."

The new MRI will also improve imaging accuracy along with scanning capacity and efficiencies compared to the existing scanner, with chest scans expected to be reduced from 90 to 45 minutes. This will enable more exams to be completed, reducing the need for physicians to refer patients to larger sites due to long wait times, resulting in fewer delays in medical interventions.

After a competitive bidding process, Interior Health has selected Stantec Architecture for architectural and engineering services for the KBRH MRI project. Construction is planned to start in summer 2026 and be ready for patients by summer 2028.

The total project cost is estimated to be \$35.86 million and will be shared by the provincial government through Interior Health, the West Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital District and the KBRH Health Foundation.

Quick Facts:

- KBRH opened in 1954 and offers a variety of health-care services, including 24-hour emergency and trauma services, enhanced laboratory services, acute and obstetrical care, psychiatry and chemotherapy.
 - The new MRI is anticipated to perform 7,000 scans per year, up from the 4,400 scans that the current mobile MRI has capacity for. The total volume of MRI exams in Interior Health has increased from 20,726 in 2017-18 to 54,737 in 2023-24.
 - The KBRH emergency department redevelopment began in fall 2018 and included: a single-storey addition to the existing building; updated and expanded trauma bays; exam and procedure rooms; and an airborne isolation and secure room, which opened in September 2020.
 - The new ambulatory-care wing opened September 2021 and features new procedure rooms, endoscopy suites and recovery rooms, new patient change rooms and natural light, and the new pharmacy opened in July 2022.
 - The renovated and expanded oncology department, the modernized physiotherapy department and the upgraded cast clinic all opened in summer 2022.
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