

VILLAGE OF SILVERTON

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL TO BE HELD

April 14, 2021

ONLINE – GoToMeeting (as posted)

7:00 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

- B. THE VILLAGE OF SILVERTON ACKNOWLEDGES THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES ON WHOSE TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES WE STAND
- C. ADDITION OF LATE ITEMS IF ANY
- D. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA
- E. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES
 - 1. Minutes of the Special Council Meeting March 10, 2021 at 4pm
 - 2. Minutes of the Special Council Meeting March 10, 2021 at 5pm
 - 3. Minutes of Regular Council Meeting March 10, 2021
 - 4. Minutes of the Special Council Meeting March 31, 2021

F. <u>DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS</u>

None at this time.

G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS/BUSINESS ARISING

None at this time.

H. NEW BUSINESS

1. FCM RE: Election to the Board of Directors

Recommendation:

WHEREAS the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) represents the interests of municipalities on policy and program matters that fall within federal jurisdiction;

WHEREAS FCM's Board of Directors if comprised of elected municipal officials from all regions and sizes of communities to form a broad base of support and provide FCM with the prestige required to carry the municipal message to the federal government; and

WHEREAS FCM's Annual Conference and Trade Show will take place from June 4 to 7, 2020, during which time the Annual General Meeting will be held and followed by the election of FCM's Board of Directors;

BE IT RESOLVED that Council of the Village of Silverton, British Columbia, endorse Leah Main to stand for election on FCM's Board of Directors for the period starting in June 2021 and ending June 2022.

2. CKISS Clean Drain Dry Outreach booth at Silverton boat launch

Recommendation:

That the Village of Silverton Council supports the CKISS Clean Drain Dry Outreach booth initiative and requests that CKISS work with Village staff to set up the CKISS Clean Drain Dry Outreach booth in Silverton by the boat launch in the 2021 season.

I. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

- 1. Wildlife Habitat Area Silverton application update
- 2. BC Rural Health Network RE: Transportation and "Let's Ride" Campaign
- 3. City of William Lake RE: Stronger Sentencing for Repeat Offenders
- 4. Reminder of Canada Post Changes for Silverton scheduled MAY 17, 2021
- 5. City of Victoria RE: "Help Cities Lead" Campaign
- 6. City of Port Moody RE: "Help Cities Lead" Campaign
- 7. City of Langley RE: Raise Disability and Income Assistance to Livable Rate
- 8. Village of Belcarra RE: Endorsement of 9-8-8 Crisis Line Initiative
- 9. District of Sicamous RE: Invasive Asian Clams (refer to item H2)
- 10. Silverton Co-Work Society RE: Building Permit Variance

Recommendation:

That the Village of Silverton Council refer Item I. 10 from the Silverton Co-Work Society regarding the requirements for a Development Permit and any other permitting required for the process to staff as part of standard operational procedure for building permits.

J. COUNCIL REPORTS

1. Mayor - Vacant position

2. Acting Mayor Leah Main

- RDCK Director for the Village of Silverton
- West Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital Board
- Rosebery Parklands and Trails Commission
- Winlaw Regional and Nature Park Commission
- Slocan Valley Economic Development Commission
- FCM Board
- CBBC Liaison
- RDI Climate Adaptation project Team
- Health Committee Alternate Slocan District Chamber of Commerce
- Ktunaxa Kinbasket Treaty Advisory Committee (TAC) Alternate

3. Councillor Tanya Gordon

- Ktunaxa Kinbasket Treaty Advisory Committee (TAC)
- Health Committee Slocan District Chamber of Commerce
- RDI Climate Adaptation project Team
- Rat Control Liaison
- CBBC Liaison Alternate

- Recreation Commission No. 6, Alternate
- Municipal Emergency Management, Alternate

4. Councillor Arlene Yofonoff

- Recreation Commission No. 6
- Slocan District Chamber of Commerce
- Cultural Planning Group
- Composting Project Liaison (Healthy Community Society of the North S.V.)
- RDI Climate Adaptation project Team, Alternate

K. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. CAO Report

L. BYLAWS AND POLICY

None at this time.

M. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

Terms of reference as per the Procedure Bylaw include;

- The maximum time allotted is two (2) minutes.
- The Public Input is for items on the Council Agenda only.
- The Public Input Period provides an opportunity for public input only, without expectation of response from Council.

N.	IN CAMERA MEETING: there will be an In-Camera Meeting at this time. This meeting
	will be closed to the public in accordance with Sections $90 - 1$ (c), employee relations, (i)
	legal, 2 (b) interagency government discussions.
	The Regular Meeting recessed atpm in order to conduct the Closed Meeting.
	The Regular Meeting reconvened atpm

O. <u>ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD FROM IN CAMERA</u>

P. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ONLINE ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2021 AT 4PM

PRESENT:

Acting Mayor L. Main, Councillors, T. Gordon, A. Yofonoff

ABSENT:

STAFF:

H. Elliott, Chief Administrative Officer

A. CALL TO ORDER

Acting Mayor Leah Main Called the Meeting to Order at 4:03 pm.

B. THE VILLAGE OF SILVERTON ACKNOWLEDGES THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES ON WHOSE TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES WE STAND

C. ADDITION OF LATE ITEMS IF ANY

None at this time.

D. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

033/2021 - Moved, seconded that the Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

E. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

None at this time.

F. <u>DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS</u>

None at this time.

MARCH 10, 2021 MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

G. <u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS/BUSINESS ARISING</u>
None at this time.
H. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>
None at this time.
I. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION
None at this time. J. <u>COUNCIL REPORTS</u>
None at this time.
K. <u>ADMINISTRATION REPORTS</u>
None at this time.
L. BYLAWS AND POLICY
None at this time.
M. <u>PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD</u>
None at this time.

MARCH 10, 2021 MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

N.	<u>IN CAMERA MEETING</u> :
	The Special Meeting recessed at 4:04 pm in order to conduct the Closed Meeting.
	The Special Meeting reconvened at 4:58 pm.
О.	ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD FROM IN CAMERA
	None at this time.
P.	<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>
	034/2020 – Moved that Council adjourn at 4:59 pm.
CE	ERTIFIED CORRECT:
Acı	ting Mayor L. Main Chief Administrative Officer

E2

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ONLINE ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2021 AT 5PM

PRESENT: Acting Mayor L. Main, Councillors, T. Gordon, A. Yofonoff

ABSENT:

STAFF: H. Elliott, Chief Administrative Officer

A. CALL TO ORDER

Acting Mayor Leah Main Called the Meeting to Order at 5:02 pm.

B. THE VILLAGE OF SILVERTON ACKNOWLEDGES THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES ON WHOSE TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES WE STAND

C. ADDITION OF LATE ITEMS IF ANY

None at this time.

D. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

035/2021 - Moved, seconded that the Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

E. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

None at this time.

F. <u>DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS</u>

None at this time.

MARCH 10, 2021 MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS/BUSINESS ARISING

Whereas the Village of Silverton discussed the purchase of a used generator from the City of Nelson at the last budget discussion on February 17, 2021; AND

Whereas the Village of Silverton Council agreed to make a decision online as soon as reasonably possible regarding the purchase of said generator due to the time sensitive nature of the availability of the generator; AND

Whereas Council agreed at the February 17th, 2021 Council meeting to then have the decision ratified at the next Council meeting should Council decide online to purchase the used generator;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Village of Silverton approve the purchase of the used generator, as discussed at the February 17th, 2021 budget meeting, from the City of Nelson.

CARRIED

H. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

None at this time.

I. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

None at this time.

J. COUNCIL REPORTS

None at this time.

K. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

Council provided the CFO and the CAO with direction regarding the budget for 2021 based on the staff reports provided.

MARCH 10, 2021 MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

L. BYLAWS AND POLICY				
None at this time.				
M. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD				
Press requested the full name of the CFO, Chr	is Jury.			
Don Broughton asked for clarification regarding Input Period".	ng the rules for the Agenda Item "M. Public			
N. <u>IN CAMERA MEETING</u> :				
None at this time.				
O. <u>ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD FROM IN C</u>	<u>AMERA</u>			
None at this time.				
P. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>				
036/2020 – Moved that Council adjo	urn at 5:56 pm.			
CERTIFIED CORRECT:				
Acting Mayor L. Main	Chief Administrative Officer			

MINUTES OF THE *REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING* HELD ONLINE ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2021 AT 7:00PM

PRESENT:

Acting Mayor L. Main, Councillors T. Gordon, A. Yofonoff

ABSENT:

STAFF:

H. Elliott, Chief Administrative Officer

A. CALL TO ORDER

Acting Mayor Leah Main Called the Meeting to Order at 7:00 pm.

B. THE VILLAGE OF SILVERTON ACKNOWLEDGES THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES ON WHOSE TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES WE STAND

C. ADDITION OF LATE ITEMS IF ANY

D. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

037/2021 - Moved, seconded that the Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

E. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

038/2021 – Moved, seconded That the Special Council Meeting Minutes of February 17, 2021, the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of February 17, 2021, and the Special Council Meeting Minutes of February 24, 2021 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

MARCH 10, 2021 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

F. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS

None at this time.

G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS/BUSINESS ARISING

G1. BY ELECTION INFORMATION

Acting Mayor Leah Main provided a verbal update stating the process was continuing to move forward.

G2. COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING POSITIONS:

039/2021 – **Moved, seconded** That the Village of Silverton Council appoints the following positions:

Municipal Emergency Management – Councillor Gordon, Councillor Yofonoff, Alternate

Slocan District Chamber of Commerce - Alternate Councillor Gordon

Composting Project Liaison - Alternate Councillor Gordon

RDI Climate Adaptation project Team - Alternate Councillor Yofonoff

CARRIED

H. NEW BUSINESS

None at this time.

I. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

040/2021 – Moved, seconded That the Village of Silverton Council direct staff to write a letter of support for CBBC's funding request to the federal government's Universal Broadband Fund.

J. COUNCIL REPORTS

Received for information.

MARCH 10, 2021 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Received for information.

L. BYLAWS AND POLICY

None at this time.

M. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

Press requested clarification regarding the financial contribution from Silverton to the composting program for 2021. Acting Mayor Main stated there was no funding required as the RDCK provided the funding for the service in 2021.

N. IN CAMERA MEETING:

The Regular Meeting recessed at 7:17 pm in order to conduct the Closed Meeting.

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 7:30 pm.

O. <u>ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD FROM IN CAMERA</u>

Councillor Leah Main was appointed by Council as the Acting Mayor for Silverton until a new Mayor is sworn in.

MARCH 10, 2021 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

P. ADJOURNMENT				
041/2020 – Moved that	Council adjourn at 7:31pm.			
CERTIFIED CORRECT:				
Acting Mayor L. Main	Chief Administrative Officer			

E4

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ONLINE ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31, 2021 AT 4PM

PRESENT:

Acting Mayor L. Main, Councillors, T. Gordon, A. Yofonoff

ABSENT:

STAFF:

H. Elliott, Chief Administrative Officer

A. CALL TO ORDER

Acting Mayor Leah Main Called the Meeting to Order at 4:04 pm.

B. THE VILLAGE OF SILVERTON ACKNOWLEDGES THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES ON WHOSE TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES WE STAND

C. ADDITION OF LATE ITEMS IF ANY

E4 – Campground Policy

D. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

042/2021 - Moved, seconded that the Agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

E. <u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS/BUSINESS ARISING</u>

E1. LAKESIDE CAMPGROUND FINAL DESIGN AND REPORT

043/2021 - Moved, seconded That the Village of Silverton Council accept the Lakeside Campground Final Design and Report as presented.

CARRIED

MARCH 31, 2021 MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

E2. BUDGET DISCUSSIONS CONTINUED WITH CFO CHRIS JURY

Council provided the CFO direction for the 2021 budget, including a maximum tax rate for the new Class 2 taxation for utilities.

As well as, a 2% raise in the overall taxation rate for the Village of Silverton from 2020 (2020 did not have a tax increase), which is less than \$20.00 increase per average Silverton property.

E3. SILVERTON 2021 ELECTION OFFICER APPOINTMENTS

044/2021 - Moved, seconded Pursuant to Section 58 of the Local Government Act, Council of the Village of Silverton hereby appoints Sonya Martineau as the Chief Election Officer for the Purpose of the Silverton 2021 Municipal By Election.

CARRIED

045/2021 - Moved, seconded Pursuant to Section 58 of the Local Government Act, Council of the Village of Silverton hereby appoints Hillary Elliott as the Deputy Chief Election Officer for the Purpose of the Silverton 2021 Municipal By Election.

CARRIED

E4. MUNICIPAL CAMPGROUND POLICY

046/2021 - Moved, seconded That the Village of Silverton Council adopt Municipal Campground Policy No. C-3 2021.

CARRIED

F. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

Received for information.

MARCH 10, 2021 MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

G.	IN CAMERA MEETING:		
	The Special Meeting recessed at 4:56 pm in order to conduct the Closed Meeting. The Special Meeting reconvened at 5:29 pm.		
н.	ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD FROM IN CAMERA		
	The campground, both Creekside and Lakeside, will be open from May long weekend to September long weekend in 2021.		
	Council approved some new technology for the new online campground booking and payment system staff are working on to be up and running by the end of April 2021.		
I. ,	ADJOURNMENT		
	047/2020 – Moved that Council adjourn at 5:33 pm.		
CE	RTIFIED CORRECT:		
Acı	ng Mayor L. Main Chief Administrative Officer		

From: Laurie Frankcom
Sent: April 5, 2021 1:17 PM
To: helliott@silverton.ca

Subject: CKISS Clean Drain Dry outreach booth at Silverton boat launch

Hello,

The Central Kootenay Invasive Species Society would like to set up our <u>Clean Drain Dry</u> outreach booth at the Silverton boat launch this summer. The goal is to educate people on what they can do to prevent the introduction and spread of harmful aquatic invasive species. Can you please point me in the right direction of who I can speak to ask for permission? Is it you? See below our booth in Slocan City last summer. It takes up a 10 x 10 space.

FYI: we have Covid-19 protocols in place to ensure everyone stays safe.

I look forward to hearing from you.



Laurie Frankcom

Education Program Coordinator

From: Davis, Tim FLNR:EX

Sent: March 31, 2021 10:48 AM

To: helliott@silverton.ca
Subject: Silverton Creek WHAs

Hi Hillary,

My name is Tim Davis, a habitat biologist with the BC government in Nelson. I received your question regarding the proposed trout Wildlife Habitat Area (WHA) on Silverton Creek and I'm happy to give you an update now that I will be responsible for completing the process.

As it stands, the draft legal WHA Order is with our provincial legal team for review. Once that process is complete, we will begin the formal consultation period which last for 30 days. Depending on the feedback we receive and the time it takes to address each concern/comment, the final package will be presented to our Regional Executive Director for approval. Legal protections will then be enforceable. Our tentative timelines are as follows:

- April 2021: Internal legal review
- May/June 2021: Industry, stakeholder consultation period (mandatory 30 days)
- June/July 2021: Consolidate comments and address each concern.
- August 2021: Prepare final WHA package for review and approval.
- September 2021: Public gazette and implementation of WHA protections

That's our current timeline provided there are no unanticipated events. We're including the Silverton proposal with other trout WHAs in the region (11 in total) so it does slow the process a little. Our timelines have also been pushed into this year due to COVID complications and staff turn-over so I appreciate your patience as we work towards the legal recognition of these areas.

I'm always available to discuss the process/status if you have any questions, etc.

Regards,

Tim

Tim Davis, RPBio

Habitat Biologist - Kootenay Boundary Region Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development

helliott@silverton.ca

From:

BC Rural Health Network

Sent:

March 22, 2021 12:12 PM

To:

undisclosed-recipients: Transportation Campaign

Subject: Attachments:

Template letter for transportation.pdf; Politicians addresses.pdf

Hello, BC Rural Health Network Members,

The lack of reliable, consistent, and cost effective transportation has always been identified as one of the top barriers for access to healthcare services for those in rural and remote communities.

The "Let's Ride" campaign is promoting a BC-wide unified public transit network, which would be publicly owned and operated.

This campaign is requesting support from those communities where a lack of transportation impacts the ability of residents to access healthcare services, as well as the ability to maintain social interactions outside of their own community, a factor in maintaining optimum mental health.

For complete details of the "Let's Ride" campaign please see their website at

https://bcwidebus.wordpress.com/es.

If you or your organization can support this initiative, we encourage you to contact the BC Government ministries which are involved.

We have attached a template letter to this email for you to use if you find it helpful. We encourage you to include in your letter the specific issues your community faces.

We are also including a list of ministries with their Minister and contact information to whom you can mail your letter. Rural transportation is part of several ministries' business. Letters received Canada Post attract more attention than emails.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

BC Rural Health Network Access to Care Committee

Peggy Skelton

Pegasis McGauley



TEMPLATE LETTER

March 2, 2021

Dear Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Rob Fleming,

The Rural Health Network is pleased to endorse the Let's Ride campaign for a B.C. wide unified public transit network, publicly owned and operated. There is presently limited to no reliable or affordable transportation in Rural or Remote communities especially in winter. Thus it is particularly important to have reliable bus service.

Since Greyhound stopped serving the majority of provinces in 2018, rural and remote communities have no bus service to attend health appointments, or to continue social contacts. Private pay for service or family and friends (if available or able) are the only way for those living rurally or remotely to attend appointments. Costs for attending health care are much higher for those living rurally or remotely. The preliminary study done by the Centre for Rural Health Research, found that out of pocket expenses average approximately \$2234.00 per year for people travelling for health care from rural and remote areas. There is also, at times, a need for the person to be accompanied and this can increase the cost. It also makes travel to medical appointments so difficult for some that they choose not to go, sometimes with serious consequences.

It means not only difficult access to health care but also lack of contact for families with members living in different communities. For many, especially seniors, lack of bus service limits visits to friends and relatives who do not live near. This lack of options to socialize leads to isolation and the possible mental health issues this impacts

Good reliable and affordable bus service is an important part of a Climate Action Plan. Offering people a good alternative to driving individual vehicles can serve to reduce greenhouse gases.

The lack of bus transportation is a very serious problem, a true crisis for many in rural British Columbia. We believe the "Let Ride " campaign for a B.C. wide unified transit network publicly owned and operated will address these issues and make B.C. a healthier place to live for all its residents.

Thanks for your consideration. we look forward to your timely response.

Sincerely,

cc: Premier John Horgan
Minister of Health, Adrian Dix
Minister of Mental Health and Addictions, Sheila Malcolmson,
President and CEO BC Transit, Erinn Pinkerton,
Minister of Citizens' Services, Lisa Beare

CITY OF WILLIAMS LAKE

Office of the Mayor



March 11, 2021

File No. 7500-23 / 7500-25

Premier John Horgan PO Box 9041 STN PROV GOVT Victoria, BC V8W 9E1

Dear Premier Horgan:

Call for Public Inquiry: Stronger Sentencing for Prolific and Repeat Offenders Re:

Despite repeated correspondence from the City of Williams Lake calling for stronger sentencing for prolific and repeat offenders, the judiciary has consistently failed to consider the threat to community safety resulting from their release into our community. Although the availability and proven effectiveness of the Electronic Monitoring Program is well known, prolific offenders are not consistently required to wear an ankle bracelet while on outstanding charges.

As a hub community in the Cariboo interior, Williams Lake is often a convenient location for offenders to remain and continue their unlawful activities. Council has argued that the interests of the public have received very little, if any, consideration during the sentencing process. Applying electronic monitoring devices still provides offenders with reasonably limited freedom; this technology does not compromise the safety of the public to the degree that releasing offenders, particularly repeat offenders, into the community without adequate monitoring does. Electronic monitoring upholds offenders' presumption of innocence, and only involves further policing should conditions not be adhered to. This is an efficient technological solution that is already available, and that Council has made a financial commitment to supporting.

Williams Lake residents have worked hard to combat crime in our community, and have come together to strive toward becoming a crime-free community. The judicial system is overburdened, due in large part to repeat offenders. We have continued to request the courts and judges to take into consideration the community appetite to see stricter penalties applied to these types of criminals, and that they not be released. At Council's request, the possibility of a public inquiry to determine why so many prolific offenders with serious charges are constantly released into our community with ineffective deterrents to re-offend, is now being pursued by our MP and our MLA.

The following resolution has been endorsed by Council and forwarded to the North Central Local Government Association as part of its ongoing lobbying efforts:

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WHEREAS Williams Lake has repeatedly called for stronger sentencing for prolific and repeat offenders being released into the community;

AND WHEREAS the judiciary has consistently failed to adequately ensure community safety when releasing prolific and repeat offenders on conditions;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that NCLGA and UBCM petition the provincial and federal governments to enact legislative and regulatory changes to the criminal justice system to apply stricter penalties and ensure adequate incarceration of prolific criminals, including consistent use of electronic monitoring when released on conditions.

The City of Williams Lake is seeking public feedback to strengthen these efforts in the form of a survey, which went live on February 19, 2021. The questions include:

- Do you agree that repeat offenders for indictable offences such as theft over \$5000, break and enter, aggravated or sexual assault and murder should NOT be released while awaiting trial?
- Do you support prolific and repeat offenders with in excess of 50 charges being released back into your community on bail?
- Do you agree that when repeat offenders are released on conditions or probation, they should be required to wear an electronic monitoring device?
- Do you agree there needs to be an inquiry and review into the judicial and sentencing system?

At the time of this writing, over 600 responses have been received. The responses very clearly support stricter penalties and monitoring for prolific and repeat offenders (over 94%).

Working with our MP, Todd Doherty, and MLA, Lorne Doerkson, City of Williams Lake Council is formally requesting a public inquiry into this serious, ongoing issue. We are also seeking support from the Federal government.

I look forward to your response.

Yours truly,

Mayor Walt Cobb

MP Todd Doherty, Cariboo-Prince George
Minister Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public Safety & Solicitor General
Minister David Eby, Attorney General and Minister Responsible for Housing
MLA Lorne Doerkson, Cariboo-Chilcotin
All British Columbia Municipalities and Regional Districts
Inspector Jeff Pelley, Williams Lake RCMP



helliott@silverton.ca

From:

helliott@silverton.ca

Sent:

March 16, 2021 9:28 AM

To:

helliott@silverton.ca

Subject:

FW: Civic Addressing for 203 addresses in Silverton

From: BERMAN, Benjamin

Sent: Friday, February 12, 2021 1:16 PM

Subject: RE: Civic Addressing for 203 addresses in Silverton

Good Afternoon,

I'm reaching out today to provide a brief update on the civic addressing project for Silverton.

Civic addressing projects throughout Canada were previously put on hold in 2020 due to Covid-19 restrictions. However, our Address Management & Delivery Planning team are ready to recommence these projects.

The Silverton Civic Addressing and Postal Code Change project has now been rescheduled to begin on May 17, 2021.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Benjamin

Benjamin Berman

Manager, Government and Community Affairs (BC) / Gestionnaire, Affaires gouvernementales et communautaires (C-B)
Canada Post / Postes Canada
604.353.8568



From: BERMAN, Benjamin

Sent: December-04-19 11:37 AM

Subject: Civic Addressing for 203 addresses in Silverton

Good Afternoon Mayor Clarke and Council Members,

I wanted to make you aware about a conversation from PO Box addressing to civic addressing that will be done for 203 addressing, also referred to as 'Points-of-Call' (POCs) at Canada Post, in Silverton, BC.

This conversion will be implemented on August 17, 2020, and it will link residents' civic address to a community mailbox, allowing residents to use their address when sending/receiving mail, online shopping, requesting documents, etc.

Project Details

- 203 POCs using PO Box addressing will be Civic Addressed.
- Customers will be assigned Postal Code V0G 1S0, which is affiliated to the New Denver Post Office, from which the routes actually emanates from.
- Re-sequence Community Mailbox (CMB) sites in numerical order and ensure customers are in the correct CMB site closest to their home.
- Customers will be notified early-December via a letter that a civic addressing initiative is coming. This will be followed by a 30-Day advisory letter mid-July 2020 specifying their postal code

Impacts

- All POCs on (203) will adopt their proper civic address and postal code
- Customers will receive new CMB keys and compartment so the equipment is sequenced properly. Some customers may move from one CMB site to another.

Please don't hesitate to contact me via phone or email should you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Benjamin Berman

Manager, Government and Community Affairs (BC) / Gestionnaire, Affairs gouvernementales et communautaires (C-B)
Canada Post / Postes Canada





THE CITY OF VICTORIA

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

March 10, 2021

Dear Colleagues.

On behalf of Victoria City Council. I am writing today to inform you that Council has voted to endorse the Help Cities Lead campaign and to request that your city consider doing the same. Emissions from buildings account for about 11% of the province's GHG emissions. This is the third highest source of GHG emissions in BC after road transportation (27.1%) and the oil and gas sector (17.6%). For municipalities, GHG emissions from existing buildings account for 40-60% of community emissions. In Victoria, this number is around 50% of our community GHG inventory.

In British Columbia, the regulation of buildings typically occurs at the provincial level. For the past two decades British Columbia has been at the forefront of action and policies taken in Canada to reduce energy use and GHG emissions from buildings. The 2018 CleanBC Plan moved the province further in this direction with key commitments for the building sector such as a net-zero energy building standard by 2032, a building upgrade standard by 2024, and exploring building energy labelling options.

A number of local governments, including Victoria, are keen to take even bolder action, and have set ambitious targets of our own to significantly reduce GHG emissions from buildings over the next 10 years in alignment with climate emergency declarations. The success of the Province in achieving deep emissions reductions from the building sector are directly connected to the success of local governments to achieve their own targets because most buildings are situated within these communities. However, tools currently available to local governments to pursue these ambitious reduction targets are largely limited to information campaigns and incentives. Although helpful, on their own these tools are insufficient to achieve broad and deep energy and GHG reductions given limited budgets.

Help Cities Lead (helpcitieslead.ca) is an education and awareness campaign working to build support for more focused collaboration between the Province of British Columbia and local governments on building climate policy.

The campaign project team identifies five regulatory measures where additional authority would be instrumental for municipalities in accelerating climate action:

- 1. Regulating GHG emissions for new buildings the BC Energy Step Code only regulates energy efficiency in new buildings. Leading local governments would also like the ability to regulate GHG emissions from new buildings.
- 2. Mandatory home energy labelling In Canada and British Columbia, legislation requires energy labelling for a broad range of consumer products including motor vehicles, furnaces, windows, lightbulbs, and kitchen appliances. However, there are no labeling requirements for the single largest purchase a given Canadian is likely to make—their home.

- 3. Property assessed clean energy (PACE) financing programs allow property owners to finance the up-front cost of building energy efficiency upgrades—such as more efficient heating systems, or windows—by paying the costs back over time via a voluntary property tax assessment. The assessment is attached to the property, not an individual; if, and when, the property is sold, the financing carries on with the new owner.
- 4. Regulating GHG emissions for existing buildings this would include the development of a new regulation that would set greenhouse gas emissions targets from existing buildings.
- 5. Mandatory building energy benchmarking and reporting Energy benchmarking is the process of collecting and monitoring energy data from a large number of buildings over time so that governments and the private sector can compare the performance of any one participating building against similar properties.

Direction to implement the first three of these measures – enabling local governments to regulate GHG emissions for new buildings, home energy labelling, and PACE financing – were included in the ministerial mandate letters issued in November 2020. Help Cities Lead encourages the Province to move as quickly as possible and in close consultation with local governments to develop and implement these measures.

Help Cities Lead would also like the Province to enable local governments to choose, when ready, to opt into the remaining two measures not addressed by the mandate letters – namely, regulating GHG emissions for existing buildings and building energy benchmarking and reporting.

The suite of initiatives is intended to compliment what the provincial government and utilities are already doing in this area and help to lay the groundwork for eventual province-wide adoption of these measures.

These actions would let municipalities, ready to take bolder action on climate, lead the way in regulating emissions in buildings. This would provide a template for action for other jurisdictions and even for provincial regulation in the future.

As such, we are requesting that your city consider endorsing the Help Cities Lead campaign and that you communicate this support directly to the Province by writing to the below Ministers:

- Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy. ENV.Minister a gov.bc.ca
- Minister of Municipal Affairs, MAH.Minister@gov.bc.ca
- Minister of Energy, Mines, and Low-Carbon Innovation, EMPR.Minister@gov.bc.ca
- Minister of Finance. FIN.Minister@gov.bc.ca
- Attorney General and Minister responsible for Housing, AG.Minister a gov.bc.ca

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please do not hesitate to reach out should you have any questions regarding this letter.

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Victoria Mayor





100 Newport Drive, Port Moody, B.C., V3H 5C3, Canada Tel 604.469.4500 Fax 604.469.4550 www.portmoody.ca

> March 29, 2021 Sent via Email

To British Columbia Municipalities,

RE: Helping Cities Lead Campaign

On March 2, 2021 Port Moody City Council passed the attached resolution.

I am writing to you today on behalf of Port Moody City Council, requesting your endorsement for the Help Cities Lead Campaign. Endorsing the Help Cities Lead Campaign is an opportunity to support an advocacy campaign related to building greenhouse gas emissions reductions in British Columbia. Supporting this campaign will result in completing an action related to advocacy under the Buildings focus area in the 2020 Climate Action Plan.

The Help Cities Lead campaign presents a suite of climate policy initiatives that support emissions reductions from new and existing buildings in British Columbia. I have included a copy of the Council report dated January 25, 2021 from the Community Development Department – Policy Planning Division regarding Endorsement of Advocacy Campaign Help Cities Lead to provide further information on this topic.

Taking on climate change and making a difference will take the dedication and commitment of all levels of government and the support of BC municipalities.

We hope that you will join our City in endorsing the Help Cities Lead campaign, showing support for a very important legislative change to expand climate action powers in order to meet very important targets in reducing greenhouse gas emissions in British Columbia.

Sincerely,

Mayor Rob Vagramov City of Port Moody

Attachment:

1. Resolution from the City of Port Moody – Helping Cities Lead Campaign



City of Port Moody Council Resolution March 2, 2021

CW21/020

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT Council formally endorse the Help Cities Lead campaign as recommended in the report dated January 25, 2021 from the Community Development Department – Policy Planning Division regarding Endorsement of Advocacy Campaign "Help Cities Lead", and take the following actions:

- a) write a letter to the following provincial ministers to voice support for the five policies detailed in this report:
 - Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy;
 - Minister of Municipal Affairs;
 - Minister of Energy, Mines, and Low-Carbon Innovation;
 - Minister of Finance: and
 - Attorney General and Minister responsible for Housing;
- b) request a meeting with the Ministers listed above;
- c) write a letter to Metro Vancouver requesting regional endorsement of the campaign; and
- d) write letters to all BC local governments asking them to endorse the campaign;

AND THAT Council authorize staff to participate in activities supporting the Help Cities Lead campaign, including information sharing presentations to other municipal Councils.





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File: 1610.01

March 11, 2021

UBCM member local governments

VIA Email

Dear Mayor and Council:

Re: Raise Disability and Income Assistance to a Livable Rate

At its March 8, 2021 Regular Council meeting, the Council for the City of Langley endorsed the following resolution and resolved that it be forwarded to UBCM member local governments, local MLAs and MPs, as well as the Provincial ministers responsible for Social Development, Poverty Reduction, Finance, and Housing, requesting favourable consideration:

WHEREAS after many years of frozen income assistance rates and only minimal increases to disability benefits the current Provincial Government increased rates, for single people, by \$150 between 2017 and 2019 but most people who receive disability benefits or income assistance continue to live well below the poverty line; and

WHEREAS the Provincial Government added a \$300/month COVID benefit for those receiving disability and income assistance, which temporarily reduced people's risk of losing their housing and increased their access to necessities including food and medical supplies, but as of January 2021 the benefit has been reduced to \$150/month and there is no commitment to provide additional support past March 2021;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Province of British Columbia permanently reinstate the automatic, \$300/month benefit for people receiving disability benefits and income assistance and move to raise disability and income assistance to a livable rate that is above the market basket measure (MBM).

Background information on this resolution is enclosed for reference.

Yours truly,

CITY OF LANGLEY

Kelly Kenney Corporate Officer

Enclosure



CITY OF LANGLEY COUNCIL MEMBER MOTION

RAISE DISABILITY AND INCOME ASSISTANCE TO A LIVABLE RATE – Mayor van den Broek

BACKGROUND:

For decades B.C. has had one of the highest rates of poverty in the country. As part of a broader Poverty Reduction Strategy, the current Provincial government increased disability and income assistance rates, for single people, by \$150 between 2017 and 2019. Even with these increases most people who receive this assistance continue to live below the poverty line.

In response to the economic hardships of the pandemic, the Federal Government determined that \$2000/month was required to meet a minimum standard of living in Canada. This is significantly higher than what people on disability or income assistance receive per month. In April of 2020 the Province of British Columbia provided an automatic, monthly, \$300 COVID benefit for those receiving disability and income assistance. This significantly reduced people's risk of losing their housing and increased their access to necessities including food and medical supplies but did not raise disability or income assistance rates to or above the poverty line.

A single person on income assistance receives \$760/month and \$1060 with the COVID top-up. Someone on disability benefits is eligible for \$1183.42/month or \$1483 with the top-up. These rates do not reflect the cost of living in BC. The current average rent for a one bedroom in Langley is \$1200, forcing people who access assistance to give up basic necessities in order to pay rent. These gaps send an impact across our whole community, creating or worsening other social crises, including homelessness and mental health issues, and lock community members into poverty. As of January 2021, the \$300 monthly top-up has been reduced by half and there is no guarantee of an extension of this top-up past March 2021.

Access to one-time, temporary measures to address gaps in funding, like the Recovery Benefit, are subject to an application process. The application process will be a barrier for those who require additional support to apply. The Provincial government has signaled towards a permanent increase for disability and income assistance. This is welcomed news but reinstating the \$300 top-up, even permanently, would not raise disability or income assistance rates to the poverty line. Ultimately, to eliminate poverty, disability and income assistance must be raised to livable rates that are above the market basket measure (MBM). Community members have shared their significant challenges, poverty and disability groups, locally and across BC, have strongly advocated for this change, Victoria and New Westminster City Council recently passed a similar motion, and Vancouver City



Council passed a motion to raise rates in 2019. We recommend advancing this issue to the Province through the Union of BC Municipalities.

MOTION:

THAT Council endorses the following resolution and directs staff to forward copies to UBCM member local governments, local MLA's and MP's, as well as the Provincial ministers responsible for Social Development, Poverty Reduction, Finance, and Housing, requesting favourable consideration:

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BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Province of British Columbia permanently reinstate the automatic, \$300/month benefit for people receiving disability benefits and income assistance and move to raise disability and income assistance to a livable rate that is above the market basket measure (MBM).



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March 10, 2021

Honourable Nelly Shin Member of Parliament Port Moody – Coquitlam 1116 Austin Avenue Coquitlam, BC V3K 3P5

Via email: nelly.shin@parl.gc.ca

Dear Honourable Nelly Shin,

Re: Belcarra Council Motion - Endorsement of 9-8-8 Crisis Line Initiative

Please be advised that at a Regular meeting of Belcarra Council held on March 8, 2021, the following motion was passed:

"That the Village of Belcarra endorse the 9-8-8 crisis line initiative; and That staff be directed to send a letter indicating support to the local MP, MPP, Federal Minister of Health, the CRTC and UBCM municipalities to indicate the support of Belcarra."

Thank you for bringing this matter to the attention of Belcarra Council. 2021 has been an unprecedented challenge. There have been considerable impacts from the COVID-19 Pandemic on the mental health of Canadians. Through unanimous consent, Belcarra supports the creation of a National 3-Digit Suicide Prevention Hotline in Canada.

Sincerely,

Jamie Ross Mayor

cc Hon. Adrian Dix, Minister of Health Rick Glumac, MLA CRTC UBCM Member Municipalities District of Sicamous 446 Main Street **F:** 250 836 4314 POBox 219 Sicamous, BC VOE 2VO

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Certified Resolution # 21-047

It was moved and seconded:

WHEREAS invasive Asian clams (Corbicula fluminea) are known to threaten the natural biodiversity of lakes by competing with native species for sustenance and space, cause biofouling to water treatments systems, alter water chemistry, and potentially reduce the quality of drinking water;

AND WHEREAS the spread of Asian clams will have significant environmental, social, and economic consequences for our waterways, wildlife and communities;

AND WHEREAS the Controlled Alien Species Regulation exists under the Wildlife Act to enforce controls for species that pose a risk to people, property, wildlife, and wildlife habitat:

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM ask the Province of British Columbia to designate invasive Asian clams (Corbicula fluminea) as a Prohibited Aquatic Invasive Species under the Controlled Alien Species Regulation under the Wildlife Act.

Carried

Certified a true and correct copy of a resolution endorsed by the Council at its Regular Council Meeting held on January 27, 2021.

Dated this 11th day of February, 2021.



SILVERTON CO-WORK SOCIETY 222 Lake Street - Box 163 Silverton, BC VoG 2Bo liftcowork@gmail.com

March 28, 2021

Village of Silverton Box 14 Silverton, BC V0G 2B0

Dear Village of Silverton Mayor, Councillors and Staff,

The recent Valley Voice article announcing the awarding of a CERIP grant has generated a level of excitement for the community of Silverton. The Silverton Co-work Society (SCS) and the Hammond family, owners of Silverton General Store (SGS) appreciate the ongoing support of the Village of Silverton who provided the initial funding for the feasibility study in 2018. We understand that we would not be in this position today without the encouragement and vision of the Silverton staff, councilors and Mayor.

In addition to the CERIP funding, last spring we received funding through a Rural Community Development grant. The CERIP funding focuses on the development of a food centre while the RCD funding provides capital contribution as well as some operating funds for the co-work space. We have also received financial support from the Slocan Valley Economic Development Partnership and private donors. The two projects are time sensitive, and it is critical that we develop a close working relationship with the Village so that we are in the best position to meet these deadlines. As we embark on major renovations to the heritage SGS at 222 Lake Ave., both SCS and SGS are looking forward to working with the Village of Silverton. We have already engaged in informal conversations in regards to the North facing exterior wall of the building. We have also worked with the Village to upgrade the septic system and separate the heritage building from Silverton Building Supplies.

From this point forward, we wish to be in close communication with the Village. We are in the process of engaging an architect for the entirety of the project, including bringing the building up to current code and renovating the ground floor to accommodate the food centre, co-work space, and the General Store. Once we have final drawings, the project will be put to tender for a construction contractor. All necessary permits for renovating will be secured prior to commencement of the renovations. We also have plans to document the the project as we work to preserve the heritage of the building and create a new vision for Silverton.



We are asking for your assistance in making this project a success. At this time we are seeking advice on what Village considerations and approvals are required so we can be prepared. Please let us know how best to proceed with any requirements for the Village and how you think we could communicate with the staff and council.

Once again, you have our sincere appreciation for your support for these projects. We look forward to the benefits of this endeavor for the Village of Silverton and the entire North Slocan Valley.

Sincerely,

Ellen Kinsel Treasurer Danika Hammond

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Owner, Silverton General Store

Steven Hammond

Owner, Silverton General Store

Administrative Report: Hillary Elliott, CAO

Village of Silverton Council

Regular Meeting - April 14, 2021

This administrative report covers the period March 6, 2021 to April 8, 2021 as to the activities, functions, and meetings I have attended in my capacity as Chief Administrative Officer for the Village of Silverton.

This month the CAO continued to be very busy with calls and research with other agencies regarding COVID 19; most pertinently regarding the extension of the previous orders and its impacts on the Village operations/revenues, user groups, facilities, and By Election.

COVID 19 has been very disruptive to the Village and continues to be as we are now in the process for a By Election and nearing the completion of the 2021 budget process.

Financial Operations/Capital Projects:

Staff have been busy getting quotes, contacting professionals, working with the CFO for both 2020 year-end and 2021 budgets.

Staff will continue to move forward with the projects for 2021 that Council has already approved, such as, the two water projects (water main and water reservoir), the generator has arrived, the **bear proof bins have arrived**.

Request of Council: There will be two of the garbage bins at the campground (one at each site), one at the Day Park. The last bin was to be a Pilot Project at either Victoria Street or Silver Cove.

Resolution: Therefore Be It Resolved that the Village of Silverton Council direct staff to install the 4th Bear Proof bin at Silver Cove for residential garbage disposal as a Pilot Project.

Staff will ensure that residents are informed of the bin to use for their residential garbage disposal and the option for those who are seniors or unable to use the bin to contact the Village office for information on how to still have garbage pick-up at their residence.

Functions:

COVID 19 continues to impact the use of the Village facilities and all operations and functions of the Village. Staff are now working on the By Election and the numerous legislative deadlines and requirements.

Staff have mailed out the garbage and water Utility bills last month.

Projects:

Propeller Update

Staff have started to prep the area and have moved the propeller to it's new home. Staff are waiting to pour the concrete at the same time as pouring the concrete for the generator; which requires the right "window" in the weather.

Bylaw Officer Update

There have been more preliminary discussions with the 3 Villages' staff regarding a Bylaw Officer and Silverton staff will continue to work on this file as per Council resolution September 2020 –this item should have more information in the coming months. Staff continue to work on this initiative collaboratively.

RDI Climate Adaptation Project

Staff are continuing with monthly Zoom meetings with partners for peer learning and sharing to create sustainability of the initiatives connected with this project. We continue to work on this project and are developing the plan for the remainder of the project, and supports that could continue beyond the timeline and scope of the project (networking and resources). A couple of the main topics still are Natural Asset Management and Emergency Management.

Asset Management Phase 3 and Climate Adaptation Initiatives:

We were successful with our 2021 grant application and more partner communities have also received the good news. We continue to work with LandInfo Technologies for long-term solutions and staff will catch up on all the great work done this month regarding Phase 3 for capacity building, as well as, update our data.

Fire Resiliency 2020-202 for Silverton, Slocan, and New Denver in Partnership with SIFCo

The team continues to work on ramping up community engagement and services regarding this project. More news and information will be coming up VERY SOON!!! Staff have continued approving work plans this month for the spring and summer.

Sidewalk Upgrade/Footbridge Upgrades

Staff are continuing to address the challenges to prepping and repairing the sidewalks to be resurfaced on the west side of the highway for 2022.

There are still challenges regarding the Footbridge railing and staff continue to look for affordable solutions, which is proving quite challenging.

Public Works:

Have continued to meet and worked with several of our project partners to complete the Council initiatives for Fire Resiliency, ICABCCI, RDI Climate Adaptation, Asset Management, and

contractors for completion of 2020 capital projects to compile all the different information and to meet with stakeholders. This also is on-going for the CAO and public works staff for 2020.

Staff have been busy with work on:

- Lakeside preparations for the 2021 camping season
- Preparing for spring
- Sweeping street maintenance
- Equipment repairs
- Creating 2021 work plan and gathering information needed for 2021 budget
- Starting preparations for the west side of the highway sidewalk for re-surfacing in 2022
- Compiling quotes and data for grant applications and capital projects in 2021
- Water capital projects; both the water main under the creek and the insulation of reservoir
- Purchasing, picking up and starting plans for installation of the generator
- Moving, prepping and problem-solving for installation of the propeller
- Purchasing, receiving and planning installation of bear proof garbage bins

Staff continue to be very busy regarding COVID 19, how it affects the present Village operations and future measures to put in place to mitigate risks to operations for the "new normal". **This is on-going and continuing to change.**

Meetings:

Many meetings this month! Too many to list here.

Had correspondence with several community members/groups regarding concerns, requests, or questions and following up from correspondence to Mayor and Council.

Met with staff regularly.

CAO Training/Courses:

CAO has received her final marks for both courses and passed with flying colours! Phew! Two courses and working full-time and preparing a budget and for a by election and all the other regular administration.

That was a busy first quarter!

Hillary Elliott, CAO