



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SLOCAN

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MAY 2015 NEWSLETTER

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Thursday from
9:00am to 4:00pm
(Closed from 12 noon to
1:00pm for lunch)
Closed on Fridays.

2015 Council Meeting Schedule:

May 11	September 14
June 8	October 13 (Tues)
July 13	November 9
August 10	December 14



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:

The Village of Slocan is recruiting participants (up to 3 construction workers and up to 2 communications design specialists) for a 26week Job Creation Partnership: "Slocan Owl Walk & Tourism Enhancement Project". This project involves developing and promoting an Owl Walk with interpretive signage through the lands previously known as the Valhalla Crew Camp. Labour will involve work on site preparation, redeveloping trails, and creation of an outdoor classroom space. Communications workers will be involved creating a marketing strategy and promotional and educational materials for the new community tourism asset. This project is funded by the Government of Canada and the Province of BC.

Further information on this employment opportunity can be found at www.slocancity.com or www.facebook.com/villageofslocan, or by calling 250-355-2277.
Email: info@villageofslocan.ca

CALL FOR REPRESENTITIVES:

The Village is requesting applications from those interested in appointment to the

WELLNESS CENTER SIGN COMMITTEE

The purpose of this committee is to work cooperatively in developing a sign for the Slocan Wellness Center. The Committee shall provide Village Council with advice and recommendations regarding design, construction and placement.

If you are interested in sitting on this committee, please contact the Village Office at 250-355-2277 or email info@villageofslocan.ca.

COMING EVENTS:

***Sunday, June 21st**

Slocan Legion Community BBQ

***Saturday, June 21st**

Slocan Legion Pig Roast

***Fridays** – Dance Night @ the Legion

***Sundays** – Music Jam @ the Legion

For tickets or more information, contact Carol at 355-2672

WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES NOW IN EFFECT:

Sprinkling is permitted daily between the hours of:

7:00am – 9:00am AND 6:00pm – 8:00pm

During the spring and summer seasons, daily residential water use can double over winter consumption primarily because of lawn and garden watering. Our residential water is gravity fed from a 255,000 gallon reservoir on Gwillam Creek. The water plant has to pump water through the filters then up to the reservoir. During freshet, the creek NTU's are running high; this will cause water production to decrease and the demand is higher than the plant can produce. If sprinkling is kept within the permitted hours, this will give the reservoir a chance to recover and give operators time to conduct plant maintenance.

DO NOT over-water your lawn! To stay healthy, most lawns need 2.5 cm of water (equal to 1 hour of sprinkling) per week!

Please ensure that water does not over-spray onto sidewalks, driveways or roads.

The Village thanks you for your assistance!

VILLAGE OF SLOCAN

MEETING NOTES: May 11th, 2015

- At the Special Meeting of May 5th, Council appointed Robert Turley of FireWise Consulting Ltd., as Local Assistant to the Fire Commissioner. The Village will hire FireWise Consulting to complete regular system of fire inspections, to comply with the Fire Services Act, and to inspect local businesses and public buildings in June 2015. Volunteer Fire Chief John Gates will be asked to assist with inspections and provide local contact for any follow-up requirements. The Village will prepare a policy on regular system of inspections as per the Fire Services Act.
- The 2015 Community Initiatives and Affected Areas Grant Program applications were reviewed and received by Council. Applicants were invited to attend the meeting to give a 5 minute presentation on their project. A Special Meeting of Council was scheduled for May 19 at 5pm for allocation of funds.
- Dick Kelly, Chair of the Library Society, presented a proposed sign project for the Wellness Center. Council directed staff to create a Terms of Reference and to advertise for 3 volunteers to sit on the Wellness Center Sign Committee, alongside Dick Kelly and Council representative Burly Van Bynen.
- Council publically received the Climate Action Revenue Incentive Program (CARIP) Public Reporting – Carbon Neutral Progress Survey 2015.
- The Strategic Planning and Team Building Workshop report of March 9, 2015 was received for information.
- Springer Creek Restoration & Preservation Alliance requested a letter of support from Council, to undertake water monitoring of Springer Creek and to participate in the Columbia Basin Water Quality Monitoring Project. Council referred the request back to staff to obtain more information.
- The Village will provide a letter of support to the Slocan Lake Stewardship Society for an in-kind contribution valued at \$200, for use of Village park space for their Wild Days Education Program. In 2014, the Village supported the Society's Story-Telling Festival at the Springer Creek RV Park & Campground.
- Mayor Lunn will participate in the Annual New Denver Victoria Day Parade on May 18th, 2015.
- The Village will provide a \$50 Discretionary Grant to the Slocan & District First Responders, Volunteer Fire Department, and Technical Rescue Society, to assist with their Annual Slocan Lake Fishing Derby.
- A letter of support will be sent to the City of Burnaby concerning the BC Housing Non-Profit Asset Transfer Program and copied to UBCM and UBCM municipalities.
- The Village of Slocan Annual Tax Rate Bylaw No. 644, 2015 was adopted as presented.
- The Village of Slocan Remuneration & Expense Amendment Bylaw No. 645, 2015 was adopted as presented.
- An update on BC Ambulance Station recruitment activity for Winlaw was received.
- Mike Koolan was reappointed as the Village of Slocan representative on the RDCK Rosebery Parklands & Trails Commission.

Next Meeting: Monday, June 8th, 2015, 7:00 p.m.



SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8 (KOOTENAY LAKE)

W.E. GRAHAM COMMUNITY SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE! YOU ARE INVITED!

READY, SET, LEARN ACTIVITY DAY & KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

Please join us at W.E. Graham Community School on Friday, June 12th, 2015 from 10:00am – 12:00pm.

Parents and preschoolers (ages 3 – 5) are invited to take a tour of the school, enjoy a special performance and share a healthy lunch.

PERFORMANCE: "Stories and Magic" with Marya and the Magic Man!

Please contact Halii Raines or Penny Tees for more details: 250-355-2212



Slocan Homelinks Open House!

Monday, June 1st, 2015

10am – 11am @ WE Graham Community School

This is an opportunity to speak with the liaison teacher and homeschool parents about experiences with the Slocan Homelinks Program. Come meet the teacher, meet the parents, see the classroom and ask questions. An activity will be provided for the children. For more info, please contact Kathryn Rexin at WE Graham: 250-355-2212.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY!

Are you creative and looking to add a volunteer job position to your resume?

The Village of Slocan is looking for a columnist to generate their monthly newsletters.

If this opportunity interests you, please submit a letter of interest to admin@villageofslocan.ca by Thursday, May 28th at 4:00pm.

2015 PROPERTY TAXES:

Please be advised that the 2015 Property Tax invoices will be mailed out shortly. This year property taxes are due by:

4:00pm on JULY 2nd

Please do not forget to sign for your Home Owner's Grant if you are eligible.

For more information, please contact the Village Office or visit the Property Tax page on our website:

www.slocancity.com/property-taxes/

ART THERAPY

OPEN STUDIO DROP-IN FOR ADULTS

The after school open studio is an art therapy group open to adults. All are welcome to drop-in for a relaxed, supportive atmosphere for expression in various artistic mediums, social connection and an opportunity to share creativity, inspiration and conversation.

**Every Tuesday from 3:30 – 5:00pm
At the Slocan Youth Center
1001 Harold Street | 250-355-2484**

W.E. Graham Community School is currently accepting registrations for the 2015/16 school year. If you have a child going into Kindergarten or any grade up to grade 10, please drop by the school for a registration form or call 355-2212. WE Graham offers multi-grade classes and innovative programs. Students entering grades 7/8 can take part in the Outdoor Education Leadership Program and grade 9 in the Valhalla Wilderness Program.



SLOCAN LAKE MOORAGE

Moorage is **not permitted** on Slocan Lake. Please be courteous of other boats that need to come in and out at the boat launch. Boats should only be parked at the breakwater **while loading or unloading.**

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

HYDRO PROJECT OPEN HOUSE

A Hydro Project open house was hosted by Slocan Council and project coordinators on May 19th, to discuss plans for the Springer Creek Hydro Project. It was an opportunity to review the project, discuss the benefits, express opinions, and learn the next steps in project development. If you missed the presentation, please visit our website (www.slocancity.com) to view the materials. Further information can be requested by contacting Trish Dehnel at cao@villageofslocan.ca

2015 TAX SALE

By legislation, a property tax sale is held each year by a municipality to recover delinquent taxes - taxes that are three years past due. This year, the tax sale date is Monday, September 28th at 10:00am.

It is advised that residents with delinquent taxes make arrangements with the Village Office to settle their accounts prior to August 31st, to be removed from the list. If there are no delinquent taxes owed to the Village on Sept. 28th, there will be no tax sale.

RDCK Transfer Station

Just a reminder that the Slocan Waste Management Facility is open every Tuesday and Saturday, from 10am to 4pm, excluding holidays. For more information, please call the RDCK at (250) 352-6665.

DO YOU KNOW WHERE YOUR PROPERTY LINE IS?

Before building on your property or erecting a fence, please be sure to check where your property line is.

STRONGSTART IN SLOCAN!
FRIDAYS FROM 9AM – 12PM
At WE Graham School



Keep up do date with Village business by visiting
www.slocancity.com
or
www.facebook.com/villageofslocan

Please be a responsible pet owner and keep your dog leashed while walking and when at home, contained in your yard. Please pick up after your dogs; disposal bags are available at all doggie hitching posts in town.



**ALL DOGS MUST
BE ON A LEASH**

SPRINGER CREEK RV PARK & CAMPGROUND

OPENING DATE: Friday, May 15th, 2015
CLOSING DATE: Monday, October 12th, 2015

For reservations or information:
May – Oct: 250-355-2266
springr@telus.net