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**FEBRUARY 2018**

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

## 2018 Council Meeting Schedule

January 8	May 14	September 10
February 13 (Tues)	June 11	October 9 (Tues)
March 12	July 9	November 13 (Tues)
April 9	August 13	December 10



### KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

#### Welcome Graduates of 2030!

Register your child in Kindergarten with School District No. 8 and become a part of the vibrant community working to make a difference for all students!

Register your child by March 31<sup>st</sup> so you can be included in spring orientation days!

## Slocan Valley Seniors Housing Society

Get your application in by May 15<sup>th</sup> for the first round of interviews and offer of suites for the Seniors' Housing Project in Slocan.

Applications are available at Slocan Village Office, Library, front entry of Passmore Lodge, online <http://svhousing.ca> or call 250-226-7115



## The RDCK Woodstove Exchange Program

The RDCK is offering rebates of up to \$350.00 for the exchange of old wood-burning stoves. Application forms can be found at the Village Office or on the RDCK website. Additionally, you may contact the program coordinator, Nicole Ward, at 250-352-8192 or at [nward@rdck.bc.ca](mailto:nward@rdck.bc.ca)

## SNOW REMOVAL

The Village of Slocan would like to remind residents to keep boulevards clear of unlicensed vehicles and debris, to assist with snow removal. It's been an exceptional snow year and we thank each and every one of you for your patience as our crews work around the clock to clear the roads.

Just a reminder that the Village does offer clearance of driveway furrows for seniors and persons with disabilities. Please be mindful that this is a complimentary service and that it is not a required service or Bylaw. Streets and commercial areas will take priority and will be cleared before furrows.

Please take advantage of local snow removal contractors if you require further assistance with your driveway. Thank you!

## LEGION EVENTS

**ALLENSONG Live Concert:** Saturday February 24<sup>th</sup> 7:30pm. Doors open at 7pm. \$15.00 at the door

**Friday Dance Night:** Dance nights are back! The next one is Friday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Tango, Waltz or Cha Cha down for a fun evening with John Cresswell and friends! \$5.00 at the door! 7:00pm - 9:00pm

**Sunday Music Jams: 3:00pm - 7:00pm**

The Sunday draw is now \$80.00. To be eligible you just have to be legion member and be present at 5:00pm Sunday when the name is drawn! If you would like to become a Legion member you can join at the Hall or call Carol @ 355-2672 (Member fees are \$45)

**St. Paddy's Vegas Night:** Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>. Buffet & Casino. Watch for posters!

**The Legion Always Welcomes Members and Guests!**





# VILLAGE OF SLOCAN

## MEETING NOTES – February 13, 2018

- Members of Council, as available, will attend the AKBLG (Association of Kootenay Boundary Local Governments) AGM & Annual Conference in Fernie, BC from April 17 – 20, 2018.
- The CIP/AAP CBT Community Initiatives Public Input Meeting has been scheduled for MONDAY, APRIL 23 AT 5PM, at which time applicants will be invited to give a 5-minute presentation and answer any questions on their applications. Council will deliberate the allocation of funds at a special meeting on April 30<sup>th</sup> at 5pm.
- In an effort to mitigate risk from wildfire in the Village and surrounding areas, Slocan will submit an application for funding to the Strategic Wildfire Prevention Initiative and Columbia Basin Trust, in partnership with SIFCo. The proposed treatment area map can be viewed at the Village Office.
- The Village will support a joint application to the UBCM under the *Emergency Operations Center & Training Program* stream of the *Community Emergency Preparedness Fund* in partnership with the RDCK and participating municipalities.
- The Village will support a joint application to the UBCM Strategic Wildfire Prevention Initiative Program and to CBT's Wildfire Mitigation Program, in partnership with the RDCK and participating municipalities, to fund a Fire Smart Program in the region.
- Council received an Asset Management Project progress report, prepared by LandInfo Technologies Inc. The final report will be presented to Council at the March meeting.
- Council approved the extension request received from the Slocan Legion, for their CIP/AAP-funded project: *Kitchen Exhaust System/Kitchen Reno*.
- Council will provide a \$400 sponsorship to the 2018 BC Seniors Games, from the RDCK Grant Fund.
- A letter will be sent to Claire Peyton of Silverton, to accompany her application to nominate Donna Gibbons, Nurse Practitioner, for the *Health Care Hero Award*, expressing how Donna has helped our community.
- Staff will revisit looking into a boat wash station for the beach, to assist with deterring the spread of invasive mussels into BC waters.
- Staff will investigate the 2016 Census Population and Dwelling Counts returned after challenging the 2016 data, and pressure Statistics Canada for more accurate numbers for Slocan.
- A letter of support will be sent to the Slocan District Chamber of Commerce, supporting the Arrow Slocan Tourism Association's application to the Province to collect the MRDT (2% hotel tax) within the Villages of Slocan, Nakusp, New Denver, Silverton, and Areas H and K of the RDCK, for a five-year term.
- Council re-appointed Mike Koolen to the RDCK Rosebery Parklands & Trails Commission as the Slocan representative, for the 2018-2020 term.

### **2018/19 Columbia Basin Trust (CBT) Community Initiatives**

#### **(CIP) and Affected Areas (AAP) Programs**

The CIP and AAP are funding programs designed to help address the needs of Basin communities. The programs are flexible and able to accommodate individual processes and incorporate community-based funding decisions to better meet local priorities.

**If you have a project proposal, come to the office and pick up a package or visit:**

**[www.rdck.bc.ca/corporate/grants/cbt.html](http://www.rdck.bc.ca/corporate/grants/cbt.html)**

**DEADLINE: Tuesday, February 28th, 2018 - 4:30pm PST**

Applications may be submitted to the Village Office, online, or to the RDCK:  
Attn: Judy Madelung, RDCK, PO Box 590, 202 Lakeside Drive, Nelson BC, V1L 5R4

Please direct any questions to [jmadelung@rdck.bc.ca](mailto:jmadelung@rdck.bc.ca)





**THANK YOU TO THE SLOCAN VALLEY  
HERITAGE TRAIL SOCIETY FOR  
MAINTAINING AND GROOMING  
OUR TRAIL!**



Please help to keep the trail clean! If you are walking your dog on the trail please clean up after them as it makes a terrible mess when the grooming machine is used! Also keep in mind that the trail is strictly for non-motorized use! Don't forget donations can always be made along the trail, online or better yet, become a member!

**Free Arts and Culture Grant Writing Workshops**

Want to learn more about how to apply for arts and culture grants delivered by the Columbia Kootenay Cultural Alliance? Attend a free workshop with Krista Patterson, who will share how to apply and what to expect from the application process. Individuals working in the artistic disciplines as well as arts and cultural organizations residing in the Columbia Basin are invited to attend the workshops.

**Pre-registration is required**

Workshops are FREE! Locations, dates and times are as follows:

**FERNIE** – Friday February 23<sup>rd</sup> – 5pm – 7pm

Hosted by the Fernie & District Arts Council

Location: The arts Station – Upstairs room, 601 1<sup>st</sup> Ave., Fernie

**CRESTON** – Saturday February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2pm – 4pm

Hosted by the Creston Community arts Council

Location: Creston & District Community Complex, Sunshine Room, 312 – 19<sup>th</sup> Ave. North, Creston.

**ONLINE WORKSHOPS:** Tuesday Feb. 13, 9am-11am

Thurs. Feb. 22, 2pm-4pm

Mon. Feb. 26, 6pm-8pm

**TO REGISTER:** Email [wkracassistant@telus.net](mailto:wkracassistant@telus.net) or call 1-250-505-5505;

Toll free 1-877 505-7355 for more information, funding policies and program application forms are available online at [www.basinculture.com](http://www.basinculture.com)

For further information contact Lily Anderson, Columbia Kootenay Cultural Alliance at 1-250-505-5505 or 1-877-505-7355

**REQUEST TO RESIDENTS:**

Please notify the Village before you have your septic tank pumped out. This gives Public Works the chance to locate water lines to avoid damaging them and leaving other residents without water. Thank you!

**Slocan Library**

Wednesdays are story time at the library

10:30 – 11:30

Monday & Tuesday – Closed

Wednesday – 10am – 1pm

Thursday 1pm – 5pm

Friday 7pm – 9pm

Saturday 1pm – 4pm

Sunday 11am – 3pm



**Be part of the budget process.**

The Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) invites the public to provide input into the development of the 2018-2022 RDCK Financial Plan.

WHAT  
DO  
YOU  
THINK?



**SLOCAN & AREA H SOUTH**

Time: 6:00 pm

Date: Wednesday, March 7, 2018

Location: Slocan Village Chambers  
503 Slocan Street

Connect with RDCK Directors and staff • Ask questions • Find out about projects and initiatives happening in your area • Learn about the RDCK • Provide feedback

[www.rdck.ca](http://www.rdck.ca)

**Board of Variance**

The Village of Slocan is still looking for an applicant to fill a vacancy on the Board of Variance. Applications for this volunteer position will be accepted at the Village Office. Please call for more information 250-355-2277.

Keep up to date on Village business by attending regular Council meetings, or by visiting our website or facebook page. Alternatively, office staff are always here to help if you should have any questions!

Utility & Tax Payments can be made at any time of year and will be applied to your account as a credit/prepayment. You can come into the Village Office and make payments with a debit card or cheque or if you bank with a credit union/BMO, payments can be made online!

West Kootenay Transit customers can look forward to greater convenience in their travelling!  
The *Transit Trip Planner* is now live on their transit system website:  
[www.bctransit.com/west-kootenay](http://www.bctransit.com/west-kootenay)

**WINTER IS THE BEST TIME TO TEST FOR RADON!**  
The Village Office has 90-day radon tests available for \$15 if you are interested in testing your home! For more info on radon, please visit [www.radonaware.ca](http://www.radonaware.ca)



## Don't Forget!

Seniors Lunch is held every 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at the Legion hall (except in Dec., July & Aug.) The next one will be February 22<sup>nd</sup> at noon. The menu is hamburger soup, mushroom soup and a variety of sandwiches. If you are 55 yrs or older come out and get some visiting in! For more info call the WE Graham Community Services Society @ 250-355-2484

### RDCK RECYCLING CENTER at the SLOCAN TRANSFER STATION

It has been reported that an excess amount of garbage is being left around the recycling bins at the Transfer Station. Residents of Slocan and area are fortunate to have this service available – the next closest recycling center is in Winlaw. Please ensure that all non-recyclable waste is disposed of in an appropriate manner; the RDCK-Slocan Transfer Station is open every Tuesday and Saturday from 10am – 4pm. Rates and other information can be found online at [www.rdck.bc.ca](http://www.rdck.bc.ca)

*Don't forget to set  
your clocks  
forward an hour!  
Sunday,  
March 11 at  
2:00am!*

move the clocks ahead  
one hour and spring forward.



After the winter we've had,  
I'm all for anything with the  
word "spring" in it!

## Slocan Fitness Center

710 Harold St. Slocan

Passes are available at Mountain Valley Station or the Village Office



Passes:

1 month -- \$20.00  
3 months - \$50.00  
6 months - \$100.00  
1 year -----\$180.00

You must be 16 years or older. Please sign in, wear clean indoor shoes, clean equipment after use, put away your weights and lock door behind you.

## CBT Community Initiatives: Public Input Meeting

Persons having interest in reviewing the applications for the 2018 Community Initiatives and Affected Areas Grant Program are invited to attend:

**Community Input Session  
Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018  
5:00 p.m. at the Village Office**

Applicants will be invited to give a 5-minute presentation on their project, and to answer any questions.

## MOUNTAIN VALLEY STATION

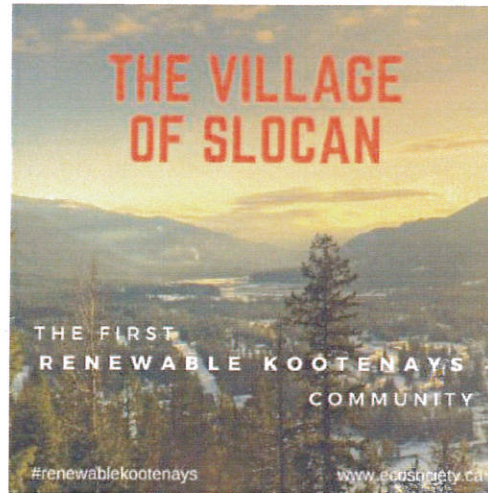
Slocan, B.C.

Our **ENCORP BOTTLE DEPOT**  
Hours of operation have **changed**  
As of **January 1, 2018**

The **ENCORP BOTTLE DEPOT**  
Will **now** be **CLOSED SUNDAYS,**  
**MONDAYS,** and all **Holidays**

**OPEN TUESDAY – SATURDAY**  
**9 am – 5 pm**

Mountain Valley Station  
Store hours remain the same –  
**Daily from 8 am – 7 pm**



## CLIMATE ACTION COMMITTEE

### CALLOUT FOR MEMBERS:

The Village of Slocan is now actively seeking volunteer members to sit on a Climate Action Advisory Committee of Council. The purpose of the committee is to review climate action and energy emission reduction strategies, as adopted by Council, and to provide recommendations for initiating related programs, activities and incentives within the Village.

Interested parties are encouraged to submit their request to [caoi@villageofslocan.ca](mailto:caoi@villageofslocan.ca) prior to Wednesday, February 28, 2018.



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<https://www.facebook.com/villageofslocan>

After signing on to the Climate Action Charter in 2008, the Village completed a carbon inventory and now tracks and reports its GHG emissions annually. In 2016, a Community Energy & Emissions Plan (SCEEP) was completed, and Slocan has recently become a Partner for Climate Protection through FCM's PCP Transition 2050 Program. Slocan has been recognized in November 2017 for becoming the first 100% Renewable Kootenay's Community – the 5<sup>th</sup> municipality in all of Canada with a goal to become 100% renewable by 2050.

## BC Assessment

BC Assessment has now sent out its annual assessment notices to home-owners across BC. If you do not receive your 2018 notice by January 18<sup>th</sup>, please call 1-866-825-8322.

If you disagree with your assessment, you can file a Notice of Complaint (appeal) by February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018. The Nelson/Trail Assessment Office is located at Suite 176 – 333 Victoria Street, Nelson. Office hours are 8:30am – 5:00pm, Monday to Friday. You can also visit [www.bcassessment.ca](http://www.bcassessment.ca)