

The Corporation of the Village of Slocan is now part of the **RECYCLE MY CELL** program.

The Village of Slocan has joined **Recycle My Cell**, Canada's free cell phone recycling program, making it easy to dispose of your old devices responsibly. A drop off box is located at the Village Office, where old wireless devices and their accessories will be accepted, regardless of brand or condition. After your device is received, it is sent to a processor (at no charge to the Village) where it can be refurbished or broken down and recycled. The Village of Slocan encourages members of the community to help protect the environment by recycling their old cell phones and accessories, keeping them out of our landfills.



Help the Village of Slocan go green by dropping off your old cell phones.

Accepted items include:

- **Cell phones**
- **Smart phones**
- **Wireless PDA's**
- **Pagers**
- **All related batteries & accessories**

For more information on the program, please visit www.recyclemycell.ca

RDCK WOODSTOVE EXCHANGE PROGRAM

The RDCK is offering rebates of up to \$350 for the exchange of old wood-burning stoves. Application forms can be found at the Village office or on the RDCK website.

2019 UTILITY BILLING

Please be advised that the 2019 Utility Bills were due March 4th. All Accounts with a balance after March 31st will receive a 10% penalty. Unpaid balances on Dec. 31st will transfer to taxes.

Payments can be made at any time of year towards your taxes or utilities 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!

W.E. GRAHAM COMMUNITY SERVICE SOCIETY

VALHALLA CHILDREN'S CENTRE IN SLOCAN HAS SPACES AVAILABLE!

Valhalla is an award-winning child-centred facility that has been approved for the new **Parent Fee Reduction Initiative** making our services even more affordable. Call us today to discuss our program and set up a visit for you and your family:



250-355-2222



FRIENDLY REMINDER

**GARBAGE DAY IS TUESDAY AND ALL
GARBAGE MUST BE OUT BY
9AM FOR PICK UP.**

Please be advised that there is a weight restriction on bags of 22 lbs. (10 kg). All bags must be securely sealed and in a garbage can with a secure lid, to keep animals out. Any damaged bags must be cleaned up by the homeowner. Garbage tags are available at the Village Office for \$2.50/each if you wish to put out an extra bag. These tags are only good for curb side pick up and are not transferable for the RDCK transfer station (Dump).



BUILDING INSPECTION

The building inspector is at the Village Office every Thursday
1pm – 2pm.

If you wish to make an appointment please call **250-355-2277**.



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MARCH 2019 - NEWSLETTER

2019 Council Meeting Schedule

January 14	May 13	September 9
February 12 (Tues.)	June 10	October 15 (Tues.)
March 11	July 8	November 12 (Tues.)
April 8	August 12	December 9

(Council Meetings start at 7:00 pm in Village Chambers)



OFFICE HOURS:

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

LEGION EVENTS

St. PADDY'S VEGAS CASINO NIGHT: SAT. MARCH 16th

Buffet and Casino – Doors Open 5.30pm - Tickets \$20.00

CANADIAN NATIONAL FILM NIGHT: Wed. April 17th

7:00pm – Film 1: *Indian Horse*

9:00pm – Film 2: *Iron Road*

TEXAS HOLD'EM TOURNAMENT: Sat. April 13th at 6:30pm sharp – Buy in \$30

Tickets at Mountain Valley Station or call Carol at 355-2672 to reserve.



The Legion always
welcomes members
and guests!



SHOWCASING OUR HISTORY is a project by the **Slocan Valley Historical Society** which was funded in part by the Columbia Basin Trust and Heritage BC through the Built Heritage Grants.

Two display cabinets in Council Chambers highlight the mining boom and the two silver trophies that call Slocan home. This is the first of many rotating displays that the Society has planned over the coming months and years. The second planned display will highlight the Japanese culture that arrived during WW2 and will coincide with the dedication ceremony on the re-furbished Buddhist Memorial in Slocan this summer.

Visitors are welcome to view the displays during regular office hours (Mon-Thurs, 9-4)

If residents have small items they would be willing to lend the Society for a display, they are encouraged to contact the Society at **250-355-2230** or slocanhistoricalsociety@yahoo.ca

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

Register your child in Kindergarten with WE Graham Community School and become a part of the vibrant community working to make a difference for all students!

Register your child by March 31st so you can be sure to reserve a spot and be included in Spring Orientation Days!



VILLAGE OF SLOCAN MEETING NOTES: March 2019

- Hal Wright and Vida Turok, operators of Silversmith Power and Light Corporation in Sandon, BC, presented information on hydroelectric power generation and green certification. Hal and Vida requested Council send a proclamation to the BCUC and UBCM, stating that Slocan will procure and utilize green electricity to power all municipal infrastructure, as soon as it is again made available through BC Hydro.
- The Village will explore grant options to fund a Municipal Independent Utility Business Plan (Base Scope or Mid-Level Scope).
- Council sent invitations to meet with MLA Conroy and the Minister of Energy. Council will meet with MLA Katrine Conroy in April to discuss the status of the Micro-Hydro Project and the recent announcement from BC Hydro on their termination of the Standing Offer Program. The invitation to meet with Energy Minister Michelle Mungall was declined.
- Members of Council will attend the annual AKBLG Conference in Castlegar, BC on April 26-28.
- Staff were directed to apply to the CBT Community Outdoor Revitalization Grant Fund for completion of the Waterfront Development Project Phase One: Detailed Design Plan.
- Staff will work with the Slocan Affordable Housing Commission on finalizing and distributing their housing survey.
- Council agreed to fund the Library Society's flooring replacement project - up to \$7,500 from the Gas Tax Fund. The Society will work with Village Public Works on contractor recruitment, purchase of materials, and process.
- The Village will partner with Interior Health to promote health and wellness for residents, and encourage initiatives that will assist in reducing chronic disease risk factors in the community.
- The Village will support the partnership between the Slocan Valley Outriders Association and Trails BC on their *North End Trails Project*, and a letter of support will be sent.
- The Mayor will attend and speak at the Slocan Valley Legacy Society's Volunteer Recognition Event on Sunday, April 7th at the Silverton Memorial Hall, and the Village will withdraw \$50 from the RDCK Discretionary Grant Fund to purchase a door prize for the event.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- **March 31st 2019** – a 10% penalty will be added to all outstanding utility accounts
- **May 2019** – Tax Notices will be mailed out to residents
- **July 2nd, 2019** – Property Taxes Due

CBT Community Initiatives: Public Input Meeting

Persons having interest in reviewing the applications for the 2019 Community Initiatives and Affected Areas Grant Program are invited to attend:

Community Input Session
Monday, April 15th, 2019
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.

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: **250-355-2277** | www.slocancity.com | www.facebook.com/villageofslocan

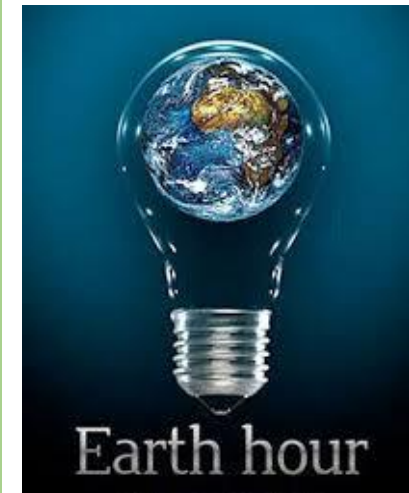
EARTH HOUR

As Canadians, we choose a future where climate change is no longer a threat.

Participating in Earth Hour is a simple way to show that you want to be part of the solution and it sends a powerful message that together we can make a difference.

Canada will be encouraging participants to turn off their lights for an hour on

March 30th between 8:30pm – 9:30pm



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

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

AUTHOR READING

Roz Nay from South Slocan
introducing her mystery novel
Our Little Secret



Becky Livingston from Nelson
telling her poignant story in
The Suitcase and The Jar



Sunday April 14th at 1:00pm at the
SLOCAN COMMUNITY LIBRARY

THE SLOCAN WATERFRONT AND DEVELOPMENT SOCIETY



Invites you to a Climate Action Presentation
by Laura Sacks.

From despair to opportunity!
Should we change? Can we change? Will we change?
Come and find out, there will be food!
April 12th 5.00pm @ The Legion Hall
502 Harold Street, Slocan. *Hope to see you there!*



Residential Spring Cleanup 2019 Monday, April 22 – Thursday, April 25



MAXIMUM: TWO PILES OF ONE CUBIC METER EACH
Put your items in the same location you would normally put your garbage can.

Acceptable Items:

- ✓ Furniture - sofas, beds, chairs, etc.
- ✓ Domestic household items
- ✓ Garden Trimmings (must be bundled neatly)
- ✓ Branches separated to run through chipper (Less than 10cm in diameter)
- ✓ There is a \$20.00 charge for picking up items containing Freon (ex: fridges, freezers)
- ✓ There is a \$10.00 charge for picking up White Goods (stoves, hot water tanks, washers, dryers)

Unacceptable Items:

- X Vehicles
- X Hazardous waste - paint, fuel, used oil, flammables, poisons, thinners, pesticides and fertilizers, etc.
- X Oil tanks
- X Tires
- X Propane tanks
- X Vehicle batteries
- X Electronic Recyclable Materials
- X Wood (ie: plywood, 2x4's, etc.)

tags can be purchased at Village Office



Please don't wait until the last day to put your items out!

The Village will once again be offering FREE vehicle removal as part of clean up week. If you are interested in participating, please contact the Village Office. There is no cost to the Village or residents for this service.

RDCK REGIONAL ENERGY RETROFIT PROGRAM – OFFICIAL COMMUNITY LAUNCH!

Tuesday, April 23, 5pm-8pm – Slocan Legion Hall

Informational Session and Trade Fair

More info at www.rdck.ca – Residential Energy Retrofit Program