

# Save the Date!

## #WasteReductionWeek

### Oct 21-27, 2019

Explore this year's themes:

- The Circular Economy
- Waste Textiles
- Champions/Innovators
- Single-Use Plastics
- Food Waste
- Swap, Share, Repair Events
- E-Waste Recycling

Take a pledge. Host an event. Make a difference.

Learn More:

[rcbc.ca/events/waste-reduction-week](http://rcbc.ca/events/waste-reduction-week)



## SNOW REMOVAL

Winter is coming and the Village of Slocan would like to remind residents to keep boulevards clear of unlicensed vehicles and debris, in preparation for snow removal. Clearance of Village road right-of-way's and boulevards should be done prior to **OCTOBER 31st, 2020** and is pursuant to the Slocan Traffic & Highways Regulation **Bylaw No. 452**. Persons with disabilities and seniors may apply for **Clearance of Driveway Furrows** at the Village Office. Proof of eligibility is required for new applicants – recurring applicants can re-register over the phone.

## BUILDING INSPECTION

For more information on Covid-19 inspection services & protocol please visit the RDCK website.

The building inspector is at the Village Office every **Thursday from 1pm – 2pm**. If you wish to make an appointment, please call **250-355-2277**



**SPRINGER CREEK RV PARK & CAMPGROUND** will **CLOSE FOR THE SEASON** on **OCTOBER 15th 2020**. For reservations or information between Oct 2020 -May 2021 please call: **250-355-2277** or email: **springr@telus.net**

## WILDFIRE MITIGATION REBATES



Planning to do some wildfire mitigation this fall?

Did you know that you can get up to 50% of mitigation costs (maximum \$500 per property) reimbursed? To qualify, you will need to have a **FireSmart Assessment** completed for your property, conducted by a qualified **Local FireSmart Representative**.

For more information on eligibility or rebates, or to book your FREE assessment, please contact:

**Slocan Integral Forestry CO-OP (SIFCo)**  
PHONE: **250-226-7012**  
EMAIL: **wildfire@sifco.ca**

*This project is a partnership between the Villages of Slocan, Silverton, New Denver, and SIFCo, to deliver a unique Wildfire Resiliency Program to their communities.*



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## SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2020 - NEWSLETTER

### 2020 Council Meeting Schedule

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

(Council Meetings start at 7:00 pm – Due to Covid-19 all meetings will be held at The Legion Hall until further notice.)

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

## SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

## More Big News for the Village of Slocan

We are extremely thrilled to announce that the Columbia Basin Trust, through their Land Acquisition Program, has granted the Village \$450,000 towards the purchase of the mill site property!

"The Trust is thrilled to be part of such a unique and rare opportunity for the community of Slocan" said Johnny Strilaeff, Columbia Basin Trust President and CEO. "By owning this waterfront property, the Village of Slocan and community members have the ability to decide how to develop it for the benefit of residents today, tomorrow and for generations to come. There is a wonderful journey ahead for Slocan and we are excited to see what comes next."

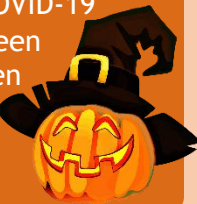


We are ever appreciative of the efforts of the Trust, and are grateful for the supports they have provided the Village over the years.

Slocan recognizes the importance of this site – not only for the future of the community, but for the region as a whole. The property presents an incredibly unique opportunity, and holds tremendous social, environmental and economic value to Slocan Valley residents.

Slocan Council will be embarking on an exciting path moving into 2021 - inviting the community to take part in a visioning process for the mill site and for Slocan as a whole - in anticipation of an Official Community Plan (OCP) update. **Thank you Columbia Basin Trust!**

**MESSAGE FROM THE SLOCAN HALLOWEEN HOOT SOCIETY:** Due to the COVID-19 situation, it is with regret that we will be cancelling the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Halloween Hoot. Everyone has been enduring this pandemic, and we would love to be able to give people a bit of a break with a Halloween celebration - there is just no way of organizing a large group of people during these times. So, we'll do our part to get through this pandemic, and the Slocan Halloween Hoot will be back next year with an even bigger and better show to make up for the missed year. "We'll do it in style!"



## PROVINCIAL WOODSTOVE EXCHANGE PROGRAM 2020/21

As a participating member of this program since 2009, the Village will once again provide a \$100 rebate, to a maximum of three wood stoves, in addition to the \$250 provincial rebate, for Village Residents who replace old, inefficient woodstoves with new, efficient EPA-certified heating appliances. Applications are at the Village Office or the RDCK website.



## DOCUMENTARY FILM CREW Seeking Interviews from Slocan Valley Locals

**HogHead Media** will be coming to the Slocan Valley, regarding the locomotive that sunk in the lake in 1947. Anyone with an interest in **local history, folklore, railways, and mining** should inquire! Any age welcome. Will require 30min -1hr of your time, at the Slocan Legion Hall for an on-camera volunteer interview on one of these dates:

**OCTOBER 9th or OCTOBER 10th, 2020**

\*\*Please contact our Production Coordinator Kerrigan, at [kerrigan@cartner.com](mailto:kerrigan@cartner.com) for all inquiries. Our Covid-Safe Plan will be in place and our team will be taking all necessary precautions for everyone's safety. **We are very excited to hear from you!**



## VILLAGE OF SLOCAN MEETING NOTES – September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020

- Council approved the Development Variance Permit application to vary the residential zone setback requirements as established in the Village of Slocan Zoning Bylaw, for construction of a covered entranceway, from 15 feet to 12.5 feet on the front lot line, for the property legally described as Parcel D (Lots 13+14), Block 49, Plan 496, DL 292, PID: 030-274-435, 1115 Arthur Street.
- Council agreed to contribute an additional \$2,729 towards the Slocan Legion's heating equipment upgrade project, in addition to the \$6,250 previously allocated, for a total contribution amount of \$8,979, if a funding application to CBT's *Energy Sustainability Grant Program* is successful, to be withdrawn from the Gas Tax Fund.
- Council will send a letter to the Slocan District Technical Rescue Society supporting their rescue boat grant application.
- Council will submit their interest to the RDCK, for the Village of Slocan to be included in the RDCK Dog Control Service Case Analysis with the Slocan Valley Villages and Area H.
- A request from the Slocan Valley Heritage Trail Society was approved, to install a mesh netting in the Slocan Gazebo (provided by the Society) to assist with bird control. Public Works will assist with the installation.
- Council directed staff not to accept any submissions to Council that are not signed.
- Council directed staff to contact the RDCK to inquire if the Board is considering a Noise Bylaw for Area H.
- A meeting with the Slocan Lake Stewardship Society will be scheduled, to discuss their letter requesting to speak about restorations of Springer Creek and the foreshore.
- Staff were directed to investigate local government controls for banning the use of chemical sprays in the Village, including pesticides and herbicides, and report back to Council.
- Staff were directed to send a letter to Michael Zimmer, Okanagan Nation Alliance, thanking him for coming to present to Council on August 10<sup>th</sup> and for the supplementary information, and that the Village looks forward to further conversations in the future.
- Staff were directed to contact the Ministry to acquire more information on the process of regulating motorized boats on bodies of water in BC, in particular on Slocan Lake and Slocan River, and that a Ministry representative be invited to make a presentation to Council.
- The "Village of Slocan Temporary Borrowing Bylaw No. 679, 2020" was adopted.
- The "Village of Slocan Camping Bylaw No. \_\_\_, 2020" was read a first, second, and third time, and staff were directed to request local RCMP assist with enforcement efforts on seasonal campers, through routine patrols in the Village.
- The CFO's quarterly financial report for the period ended June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2020 was received.
- Staff were directed to coordinate removal of the logger sports flags and the banners along Harold Street, due to weathering.
- Staff were directed to send a letter to Steve Baal, representative listed on a petition received regarding the Housing Project Rezone, advising that the Village will host a public meeting on the Housing Project, to present draft plans, and to provide an opportunity for questions and comments. Council further tabled the bylaw readings until such time the Village feels prepared to do so.

Missed the last meeting?

No problem! Agendas and minutes are available on the Village website:

[www.slocancity.com/council](http://www.slocancity.com/council).

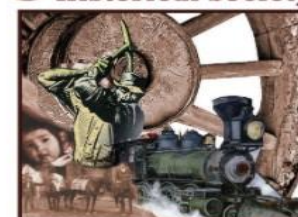
The next Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020  
7:00pm at The Legion Hall

Keep up to date on Village business by attending regular Council meetings, or by visiting our website or Facebook page:

250.355.2277 | [www.slocancity.com](http://www.slocancity.com) | [www.facebook.com/villageofslocan](https://www.facebook.com/villageofslocan)

**REMINDER:** ITEMS SUBMITTED FOR INCLUSION ON THE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN 12-NOON, 7 DAYS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING. LATE ITEMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AND WILL BE INCLUDED ON THE NEXT MEETING AGENDA.

Slocan Valley  
Historical Society



Box 28, Slocan, BC, V0G2C0  
slocanhistoricalsociety@yahoo.ca

### SVHS - NOTICE OF AGM

The Slocan Valley Historical Society's AGM  
will be held on

**THURS. OCTOBER 8<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm**  
via ZOOM

The meeting ID is:  
**250-505-3596**

For those without Zoom, arrangements can be made to attend in person in the Village of Slocan Council Chambers. To register, please email [info@slocanvalleyhistory.ca](mailto:info@slocanvalleyhistory.ca)  
Want to be a director on our Board?  
Email us for more info.

## SLOCAN COMMUNITY LIBRARY

~ IS OPEN ~

Hours of Operation are

**Thurs. 1pm - 5pm & Sun. 11am - 3pm**



### COVID-19 LIBRARY PROTOCOL

- Wall mounted automatic hand sanitizer stations at both entrance and hall doors.
- A plexiglass shield for the main circulation desk.
- A limit of 3 patrons and 2 staff.
- Wearing of masks will be requested of patrons and required of volunteers.
- Books will still be quarantined in dated boxes for 72 hours upon return.
- Take out service still available.
- Washrooms will be for staff only.
- Only patrons in good standing will be allowed in and the door will be locked at all times necessitating patrons to knock or ring the bell.



## Residential Fall Cleanup 2020

Monday, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> – Thursday, Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>

### Acceptable Items:

- Tree Trimmings / Branches (under 10cm in diameter and 3 meters in length, bundled neatly)
- Leaves (bagged)
- Organic Materials



The Village of Slocan will only pick up organic materials.

All other materials will be left and it will be the owner's responsibility to take to the appropriate recycling facility or transfer station.

Residents are requested to place any organic materials for pickup on the boulevard where you would normally place your garbage can. Any items placed on the boulevard after October 8<sup>th</sup> will not be removed and the home owner will be responsible for disposing of the materials.

### FREE VEHICLE REMOVAL

The week of October 5<sup>th</sup>, the Village will once again be offering **FREE** vehicle removal. If you are interested in participating, please **contact the Village Office to register**. We will require the make, model, colour and license plate # of your vehicle (unlicensed vehicles will also be accepted). Proof of ownership is also required.

Please remember to move your vehicle onto the Village Boulevard on your scheduled day of pick-up.

*This program was initiated in response to Village beautification and in preparation for winter snow-clearing.*

*There is no cost to the Village or residents for this service.*