

THE SLOCAN FITNESS CENTRE

is looking for people interested in becoming a fitness centre committee member. The position entails attending 3-4 meetings per year, researching and purchasing new equipment, applying for grants and liaising with the Village of Slocan. If you are interested in applying for this volunteer position, please submit your interest to:
cao@villageofslocan.ca



UPCOMING BILLS:

BUSINESS LICENSES:

Billing December 15th ~~~Due January 31st 2022

DOG LICENSING:

Billing December 15th ~~~Due January 31st 2022

UTILITIES (WATER/GARBAGE):

Billing in January, Due Mar. 1st 2022

**If needed, please contact the Village Office to inquire about your balance.*

- ON JANUARY 1st, 2022, ALL OUTSTANDING BALANCES ON UTILITY BILLS WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO ARREARS TAXES.

PROVINCIAL WOODSTOVE EXCHANGE PROGRAM 2021/22



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 available at the Village Office or the RDCK website.

SLOCAN COMMUNITY LIBRARY

The library is currently highlighting Indigenous Reads. We have a new section for the next few months focusing on all things Indigenous.



Come in and browse or search our catalog online at:
www.slocanlibrary.ca

Slocan Community Library Hours are:
Thursday 1pm - 5pm / Sunday 11am - 3pm
710 Harold Street, Slocan, BC

BUILDING INSPECTION

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

If you wish to make an appointment, please call The Village Office at: **250-355-2277**



GROUP FITNESS CLASSES

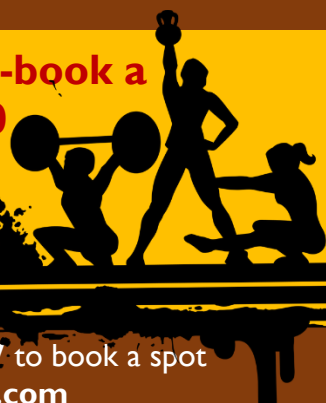
Come join personal trainer, Florrie, for a fun and challenging class for all fitness levels!

MON. WED. FRI. 7am – 8am | SAT. 8-9am
TUES. 6:30-7:30pm

\$12 per class or pre-book a 4 session set for \$40

1104 Slocan Street

Call or text **1-587-227-9677** to book a spot or email florrie.hal@gmail.com



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SLOCAN

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OCTOBER 2021 - NEWSLETTER

2021 Council Meeting Schedule

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

(Council Meetings start at 7:00 pm – At the Slocan Legion Hall.)



Missed the last meeting? No problem! Agendas and minutes are available on the Village website:

www.slocancity.com/council

The next Regular Council Meeting will be held on **November 8th 2021 at 7:00pm**

To attend a public meeting, please use the following link to attend virtually, or by telephone:

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/322545565> or dial in by phone: 1-647-497-9391 Access Code 322-545-565



WEGCSS HOLIDAY HAMPER PROGRAM

W.E. Graham Community Service Society invites individuals or families who need some extra help this coming holiday season to register for the **HOLIDAY HAMPER PROGRAM**. Holiday Hampers from the **Slocan Valley Food Cupboard** help make the holiday season a little more special without adding extra pressure.

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE ON NOVEMBER 18th 2021.

WEGCSS can only make this happen thanks to the support of many amazing local businesses, individuals and organisations. If you are feeling moved by the holiday spirit of giving, there are a number of ways you can help. Volunteers, donations of food or children's gifts, financial donations large or small and sponsors of family hampers are all needed to help make the program happen. Charitable tax receipts can be provided for in-kind or financial donations on request. **Help make the holiday season special for others in our community this year.**

Donations and registrations can be made at **WEGCSS,**

1001 Harold Street, Slocan

Call: **250- 355-2484** or email:

officemanager@wegcss.org

Open Tues – Fri 9:00am – 4:00pm



WISHING YOU ALL A SAFE AND HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

Traditional Halloween activities are fun, but some can increase the risk of getting or spreading **COVID-19** or influenza. Please visit the following website for safety steps and alternate ways to enjoy Halloween this year:
<http://www.bccdc.ca/about/newsstories/stories/2020/treat-yo-self-to-a-safe-halloween>



A message from the SLOCAN HALLOWEEN HOOT SOCIETY:

Due to the COVID-19 situation, it is with regret that we cannot proceed with our Annual Halloween Hoot. 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 with an even bigger and better show to make up for the missed years.

"We'll do it in style"!



VILLAGE OF SLOCAN MEETING NOTES – October 25th 2021

- Neil Fetcher, Director of Conservation Stewardship, BC Wildlife Federation (BCWF), attended the meeting to provide information to Council on who they are, what they do, and to summarize past/present projects. The BCWF intends to host a Wetlands Workshop in Slocan in 2022. A letter of support will be sent.
- Council again supported being a partnering community with the Villages of Silverton and New Denver, and in consultation with SIFCo, in an application to the *UBCM CRI FireSmart Community Funding & Supports Program*, for funding of up to a combined maximum of \$450,000; and granted authority to the Village of Silverton to apply for, receive and manage the grant funding on behalf of the partnering communities.
- The Village will once again participate in the RDCK 2021/22 Woodstove Exchange Program, providing \$100 rebates (in addition to the \$250 provincial rebate) to residents who replace old, inefficient wood stoves.
- The draft "RFP-2021-03 OCP Revision" Request for Proposals was approved as presented.
- Staff were directed to sign and complete the Letter of Consent for the RDCK Kootenay Lake West Transit Service Establishment Amendment Bylaw No. 2707, 2020.
- Council approved a \$550 grant for WEGCSS, to be awarded from the RDCK Discretionary Grant Fund, for their 2021 Food Bank Christmas Hamper Program.
- Danielle Meraz Alvarez and John McArthur were appointed to Slocan Climate Action Advisory Commission.
- Council directed staff to send letters out to residents who have vehicles and boats parked on the boulevards, in preparation for winter snow clearing.

SNOW REMOVAL

At the Special Meeting of October 25th, Council directed staff to send letters out to all residents that have vehicles, boats and other debris on the road allowances, requesting removal in advance of snow clearing.

Pursuant to the Slocan Traffic & Highways Regulation Bylaw, the Village has authority to tow, at the owner's expense, any vehicles obstructing road maintenance.

We kindly ask that if you have vehicles, boats or debris on the road allowance, that they be moved onto your private property prior to **Monday, November 15th.**

RFP-2021-03: OCP REVISION

We are excited to announce that the OCP Revision Request for Proposals will be issued this week! It is our hope to procure the services of a qualified consultant by December 31, to review and revise the Village's Official Community Plan. The work shall commence early January 2022, and will include extensive community consultation. Ten years have passed since adoption of the original Bylaw, and Slocan has witnessed much change over the decade. The Village must incorporate changes as required by legislation, but more so has an interest to bring the bylaw into line with development trends suitable for the Village, such as housing, business, recreation, parks, and tourism. Other considerations will include services, land use, amenities, climate change, sustainability, development permit areas, and overall municipal identity. We look forward to speaking with the community to elicit input and current values from residents, stakeholders and special interest groups. Stay tuned!

Council Meeting Attendance:

Council meetings are currently being held at the Slocan Legion Hall, 502 Harold Street. Residents are also able to attend virtually, or by telephone! **Attend Online:** <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/322545565>

Dial in by Telephone: 1-647-497-9391 (Access Code: 322-545-565)

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 | 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.



Royal Canadian Legion
Slocan Valley Branch #276

REMEMBRANCE DAY CEREMONY

Thursday, Nov. 11th, 2021
11:00am at the Slocan Cenotaph

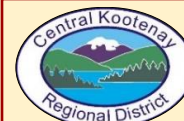
Parade formation at the Legion Hall for march to
Cenotaph at 10:45am.

Those who purchased wreaths/crosses can pick
them up at the Hall at 10:30am

**Because of Covid19 & hall renovations,
there will NOT be a Service in the hall this year.**



"Lest we forget"



NEW FIRE CHIEF APPOINTED FOR SLOCAN

The RDCK Board has approved the appointment of Devin Lindsay as Fire Chief of the Slocan Volunteer Fire Department. He has served as Acting Fire Chief since February 2021 and previously served as Deputy Fire Chief with the Slocan Volunteer Fire Department.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Slocan Council would like to congratulate Devin on his new position, and to John Gates with best wishes on his retirement as Fire Chief.

BE BEAR AWARE AT THIS TIME OF YEAR!

Do you have a problem bear?
Please contact the Ministry of Environment at:

1.877.952.7277

For more information on Bear
Safety Tips please visit the
bebearaware.org website
or wildsafebc.com

"Keeping wildlife wild
and communities safe"



**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!**

**Please notify the Village Office if you
notice a street light out of service
or flickering.**

SPRINGER CREEK RV PARK & CAMPGROUND

IS NOW CLOSED FOR THE SEASON

We are upgrading to a new Online Reservation System
starting January 1st 2022. Please check our
campground web page for updates
at: www.slocancity.com/campground

See you again next year!

GATEWAY TO THE VALHALLAS



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.

**This is a complimentary service and furrows are
cleared after all other plowing has been done. If
you require more immediate assistance with furrow
removal, we recommend contacting a local contractor.**

