

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SLOCAN
(Minutes of Council)

Slocan, British Columbia
May 13, 2024

THE REGULAR MEETING of the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the Village of Slocan, elected for the years 2022-2026, was held at the Slocan Village Office, Council Chambers, 503 Slocan Street, Slocan, B.C., on May 13, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Elected Officials
Mayor Jessica Lunn
Councillor Ezra Buller
Councillor Jordan Knott
Councillor Madeleine Perriere
Councillor Joanna Van Bynen

Appointed Personnel
Michelle Gordon, Chief Administrative Officer

Call to Order

Mayor Lunn called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

Adopt Agenda

2024/112

Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Buller,
And Resolved:

That the agenda be adopted as amended, with the addition of one late item:
Boat Dock Repairs.

Minutes:

2024/113

Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:

That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 8th, Special Meeting of April 10th, Special Meeting of April 15th, Special Budget Meeting of April 22nd, and Special Meeting of April 22nd, 2024 be adopted as presented.

Requests:

Conflict of Interest

Councillor Perriere excused herself from the meeting due to conflict of interest on the next agenda item.

The Grizz
2024/114

Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:

That Council grant final approval for the request from The Grizz Food Truck, to operate the food truck on Village-owned property, 602 Harold Street, from may to October 2024.

2024/115

Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Knott,
And Resolved:

That Council permit The Grizz Food Truck to utilize the existing septic system at 602 Harold Street for grey water, subject to the tank being pumped, and a certified septic contractor installing the appropriate adapter lids and filter.

- 2024/116 Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Buller,
And Resolved:
That The Grizz be required to install a sound barrier around the generator, to minimize any noise or disturbance to the neighbourhood.
- 2024/117 Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:
That Council permit The Grizz Food Truck to pay for the installation of a new water service and frost-free standpipe at 602 Harold Street, and be required to pay the associated annual flat-rate water fees.
- 2024/118 Moved by Councillor Van Bynen, seconded by Councillor Buller,
And Resolved:
That staff be directed to execute a Licence to Occupy Agreement with The Grizz Food Truck, for a term of 3 years.
- 2024/119 Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Buller,
And Resolved:
That approval of the Licence to Occupy Agreement be subject to a generator sound barrier being installed, and a clause to protect the Village in the event of emergency termination or consideration of land disposal.
- Motel
2024/120 Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Buller,
And Resolved:
That the request from Rick Culter, Motel Owner, to extend the Zoning Amendment Conditions completion date to June 30th, 2024, be approved.
- FireSmart
2024/121 Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Buller,
And Resolved:
That the request from Daphne Fields, requesting the Village's assistance to host a FireSmart educational session, be referred to SIFCo on behalf of the Slokan Valley Wildfire Resiliency Partnership.
- Info Items:**
2024/122 Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
That the following items be received for information:
- a) RDCK Board Highlights – Regular Meeting, April 18, 2024
 - b) G. Elder – Thank You
 - c) RDCK – Pool Hours Increase at RDCK Facilities
 - d) District of North Vancouver – Support for Resolution: Black Bear Cub Conflict Response
 - e) RDCK – National Volunteer Week
 - f) L. Rojas – Support for Ban on Mice Glue Boards
 - g) City of Port Alberni Resolution: Addressing the Needs of Rural Seniors in BC
- Reports:**
Public Works
2024/123 Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Buller,
And Resolved:
That the Public Works Report for May 13, 2024 be received.
- CAO Report
2024/124 Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:
That the CAO's Verbal Report for May 13, 2024 be received.

- Buller
2024/125
- Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
That Councillor Buller's verbal report on the Salmon Release be received.
- Knott
2024/126
- Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
That Councillor Knott's verbal report on beach washroom toilet concerns be received.
- Mayor's Report
2024/127
- Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
That the Mayor's verbal Report for May 13, 2024 be received.
- Bylaws:**
- Financial Plan
2024/128
- Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
That the "Village of Slocan Financial Plan (2024-2028) Bylaw No. ____, 2024" be finally passed and adopted, and numbered 711.
- Tax Rates
2024/129
- Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:
That the "Village of Slocan Annual Tax Rate Bylaw No. ____, 2024" be finally passed and adopted, and numbered 712.
- Housing Rezone
2024/130
- Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Knott,
And Resolved:
WHEREAS Slocan Village supports in principle, the re-designation of Village-owned Lots 1-4 and 17-20 of Block 34, and a portion of Block 34 laneway, in the Village of Slocan, from *P1: Parks, Open Space & Institutional* to *R3: Multi-Family Residential*, for the purpose of constructing an affordable housing development;

AND WHEREAS it is agreed by Council that the re-designation is subject to public consultation;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Council introduce and give first and second readings to the "Village of Slocan Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. ____, 2024" by title only.
- Public Hearing
2024/131
- Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Knott,
And Resolved:
That Council schedule a Public Hearing concerning the proposed bylaw at 6:00pm on the 10th day of June, 2024; and that staff be directed to post the required notices in accordance to section 94 of the *Community Charter*.
- Licence to Occupy
2024/132
- Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
That approval be granted to occupy a portion of municipal roadway along Fitz Avenue, for the purpose of constructing two covered parking stalls for the Slocan Affordable Housing Development; and that staff be directed to consult with the municipal lawyer on drafting a Licence to Occupy Agreement.

Laneway Closure
2024/133

Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:
That Council give first, second, and third readings to the “Village of Slocan Block 34 Land Closure and Highway Dedication Removal Bylaw No. ____, 2024” by title only.

2024/134

Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Knott,
And Resolved:
That staff be directed to post notice of the proposed closure in accordance to section 94 of the *Community Charter*.

Variance Requests
2024/135

Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
That pursuant to the *Slocan Development Procedures Bylaw* and the *Local Government Act*, that staff be directed to mail the Notice of Development Variance Permit Application to all property owners within a 60-meter radius of 903 Hume Street for comment, prior to Council approval, regarding the Slocan Valley Housing Society’s application to vary parking and setback requirements for the Affordable Housing Development.

Late Items:

Boat Dock
2024/136

Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
That due to the extremely long wait time to get the boat dock and breakwater repaired and re-decked, that staff be directed to investigate alternative contractors to complete the work.

Items brought forward from In-Camera

Audit

Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Knott,
And Resolved:
That the Village of Slocan Audited Financial Statements ending December 31, 2023, be received and approved as presented, and moved to open meeting.

Public Participation

Millership

Kevin Millership asked if the Village could replace the toilet seat in the beach washroom, and suggested a new curtain for the change room.

Adjournment

2024/137

Moved by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:
That the meeting be adjourned at 8:31pm.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor