

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

Slocan, British Columbia
November 12, 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 November 12, 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

Patricia Dehnel, Interim Chief Administrative Officer
Nathan Russ, CFO

Call to Order

Mayor Lunn called the meeting to order at 7:13 p.m.

Adopt Agenda

2024/221

Moved by Councillor Van Bynen, seconded by Councillor Buller,
And Resolved:
That the agenda be adopted as presented.

Minutes:

2024/222

Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:
That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 15th, 2024 be adopted as presented.

Audience:

Nathan Russ, CFO was in attendance to present the Statement of Operations for the Period Ended September 30, 2024.

CFO Update
2024/223

Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:
That the Quarterly Financial Report, prepared by the CFO, be received.

Modus Community
Needs Project
2024/224

Patrick Oystryk, Senior Planner, MODUS presented the Regional and Local Community Needs Project followed by discussion and question period.

Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Buller,
And Resolved:
That the presentation be received.

Recommendations:

Campground
2024/225

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

That Council receive the Springer Creek RV Park & Campground Report for 2024 as information; add upgrades and maintenance items to the 2025 budget discussions; and refer the wage and contract renewal request to in camera.

Council Meeting
Schedule 2025
2024/226

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

That Council confirm the following as Regular Council Meeting dates for 2025:
Monday, January 13th,
Monday, February 10th
Monday, March 10th
Monday, April 14th
Monday, May 12th
Monday, June 9th
Monday, July 14th
Monday, August 11th
Monday, September 8th
*Tuesday, October 14th
Monday, November 17th
Monday, December 8th

Holiday Office Closure
2024/227

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

That that Village Office be closed from 9:00am on Monday, December 23rd, 2024 until 9:00am on Monday, January 6th, 2025; that residential and commercial garbage collection be on Monday December 23rd and Monday December 30th in lieu of Tuesday during the holidays; and that an ad be placed in the Valley Voice Newspaper and public posting places to notify the public.

Firefighter Bonus
2024/228

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

That Council award \$500 to the Slocan Fire Department, as the Village's contribution towards their annual Christmas celebration, and that the Village provide each member with a complimentary annual Slocan Fitness Center pass for 2025.

DP 903 Hume St
2024/229

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

That Council approve the Development Permit for the proposed project located at 903 Hume St (Lot 1-4, 17-20, Block 34, DL 292, KDP Plan 496) as presented.

Requests:

WEGCSS Food
Hamper
2024/230

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

That Council approve a \$1000.00 grant from the RDCK Community Development fund for the 2024 WEGCSS Christmas Holiday Hamper Program.

Spirit of Slocan
2024/231

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

That Council award a \$52.50 grant from the RDCK Discretionary Grant Fund to the Spirit of Slocan Committee for the 2024 Christmas Tree Light-Up promotion.

Community Garden
2024/232

Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:
That Council approve a \$500.00 grant from the RDCK Discretionary Grant Fund for the WE Graham Community Service Society's Food Bank Garden Bed supplies.

Info Items:

2024/233

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

That the following items be received for information:

- a) RDCK Board Highlights – Regular Meeting, October 17, 2024
- b) RDCK Potential 2025 Tipping Fee Increase
- c) Slocan Valley Chamber – Business Recovery Support
- d) Slocan Valley Historical Society – Project updates November 2024
- e) Free FireSmart Home Assessments
- f) Connecting Communities BC Program

Reports:

Public Works
2024/234

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

That the Public Works October Report, and accompanying report on the Water Treatment Plant and Distribution System and water consumption history be received.

Connecting
Communities
2024/235

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

That the Village of Slocan provide a letter of support concerning the Connecting Communities BC Program and contact Kaslo Internet to advise the Village would like to work with them if possible and encourage them to make the December 12th intake if possible.

Project Coordinator
2024/236

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

That the Project Coordinator November 12 Report be received.

CAO Report
2024/237

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

That the CAO's November 12 Report be received.

Buller
2024/238

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

That Councillor Buller's verbal Report for November 12, 2024 be received.

Knott
2024/239

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

That Councillor Knott's verbal Report for November 12, 2024 be received.

Mayor's Report
2024/240

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

That the Mayor's Report verbal for November 12, 2024 be received.

**Items moved from
In-Camera**

Resolution #2024/c75 – June 24, 2024

That resolution 2024/c76 be moved to open meeting.

Resolution #2023/c76 – June 24, 2024

That Council approve the CAO Contract for CAO Gordon, for a further three-year term, commencing July 1, 2024 and expiring June 30, 2027.

Resolution #2024/c107 – November 12, 2024

That resolution 2024/c101 be moved to open meeting.

Resolution #2024/c101– October 15, 2024

That Michael Koolen be re-appointed as the Village representative to the Roseberry Parkland and Trails Commission for a two-year term, commencing January 1, 2025 and expiring December 31, 2026.

Public Participation

Griffiths

Michelle Griffiths, Program Coordinator of the Slocan Valley Wildfire Resiliency Program, Slocan Integral Forestry Cooperative explained the rebate program to firesmart homes and encouraged Village residents to apply for rebates.

Adjournment

2024/241

Moved by Councillor Van Bynen,

And Resolved:

That the meeting be adjourned at 9:40 pm.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor