

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

Slocan, British Columbia
September 21, 2026

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 August 10, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Elected Officials
Mayor Jessica Lunn
Councillor Ezra Buller (Arrived at 6:15pm)
Councillor Jordan Knott (Electronic Attendance)
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 6:01 p.m.

Adopt Agenda
2026/199

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

Minutes:
2026/200

Moved by Councillor Van Bynen, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 10th, 2026 be adopted as presented.

Recommendations:
HOG Program
2026/201

Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:
That the CAO's Report on upcoming changes to the BC Home Owner Grant Program be received for information.

2026/202

Moved by Councillor Van Bynen, seconded by Councillor Knott,
And Resolved:
That staff be directed to implement a proactive community communications strategy, including updates to the Village website, social media, usual posting places, and a dedicated information insert in the upcoming tax notices, to clarify that the \$200 grant reduction is a provincial legislative change and not a municipal tax increase.

2026/203

Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:
That a letter in support of continuation of the Northern-Rural Homeowner Grant Program be sent to the Province and UBCM member municipalities.

Halloween Hoot TOR 2026/204 Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:
That the amended Halloween Hoot Terms of Reference be approved as presented.

Slocan 125 Budget 2026/205 Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:
That the Slocan 125 Birthday Celebration Budget Reconciliation, prepared by the CAO, be received, and that the budget shortfall of \$1,560 be withdrawn from the Village's operational budget.

Requests:

Expo Infield Request 2026/206 Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:
That correspondence from the Slocan Valley Complex Society, requesting reinstatement of the Expo park infield, dugouts, and backstop be received, and that the request be forwarded to the Slocan Outdoor Recreation Commission for discussion and investigation.

Christmas Tree Light-Up Request 2026/207 Moved by Councillor Van Bynen, seconded by Councillor Buller,
And Resolved:
That Council grant approval for locating and cutting a tree to place on the Wellness Center grounds for the purpose of a 13th Annual Christmas Tree Light-Up Celebration, and that Public Works assist with the labour and equipment; and further, that Council grant permission to use the Wellness Center for power, washrooms, and hallway space.

2026/208 Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
That funding consideration be referred to the November Council meeting, post-election, for consideration of an RDCK Discretionary Grant.

DVP – 418 Slocan St 2026/209 Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
That Council direct staff to proceed with sending out notice letters for a Development Variance for 418 Slocan Street, requesting to vary the minimum width requirement as listed in the Zoning Bylaw, and that the matter be brought back to Council at the November meeting for final decision;

And further, that staff be directed to pursue recruiting a consultant to complete a Slocan Zoning Bylaw Revision, as included in the 2026 budget.

Info Items:

2026/210 Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Buller,
And Resolved:
That the following items be received for information:

- a) RDCK Board Highlights – Regular Meeting of August 20, 2026
- b) City of New Westminster – Advocating for Housing Targets be Tied to Funding
- c) RDCK – Castlegar & District Arena Reaches Next Milestone
- d) City of Prince George – Requesting Support for Home Owner Grant Changes
- e) Agricultural Land Commission – Encouraging Food Processing Inside ALR
- f) Interfor – Re-Notification of Commencement of Road Activities
- g) Slocan Valley Chamber – Slocan Silver has Softly Launched

- h) ASTTBC – Sewerage System Regulation Letter of Certification Gap
- i) Minister of Energy – Response to Village Letter, Re: LGCAP
- j) Office of the Seniors Advocate Update
- k) FCM – Canada’s Responsible Data Center Development Principles Announcement
- l) ETSI-BC – Funding Intake Now Open
- m) CBT – Cultural & Prescribed Fire Program Now Open
- n) RDCK Upgrading Telephone System to Improve Service
- o) Village of Slocan – Fall Clean-up Week
- p) Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen – Support for Renewal of LGCAP
- q) LCRB – Engagement on Provincial Distance Criteria and Capacity Requirements
- r) Village of Slocan – Declaration of 2026 Election Candidates
- s) Village of Slocan – Notice of Election by Voting
- t) Village of Slocan – Media Release: Harold St Project Moves to Construction
- u) Village of Slocan – Harold St Revitalization Project Q&A
- v) Village of Slocan – Notice of Road Closure

- 2026/211 Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
 That correspondence received from Interfor, advising of re-notification of
 commencement of road activities in Springer Creek Watershed, be forwarded to
 RDCK Director Walter Popoff for information.
- 2026/212 Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:
 That the September update received from the Office of the Seniors Advocate BC
 be forwarded to the Slocan Valley Community Service Society for information.
- 2026/213 Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
 That the ETSI-BC funding intake update be forwarded to Ron Leblanc, Economic
 Development Coordinator, for information.

Reports:

- Public Works Report Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
2026/214 And Resolved:
 That the Public Works Report for September 2026 be received.
- CAO Report Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
2026/215 And Resolved:
 That the CAO’s September 2026 Report be received.
- Perriere Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
2026/216 And Resolved:
 That Councillor Perriere’s verbal report on the Headwaters housing project be
 received.
- Buller Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
2026/217 And Resolved:
 That Councillor Buller’s verbal report on the annual UBCM Convention, be
 received.

Mayor
2026/218

Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
That the Mayor's report for September 2026, be received.

**Items Brought
forward from In-
Camera:**

- a) Resolution #2026/c47 – April 13, 2026
"That off-street driveway access be provided to 501 Harold Street and 514 Harold Street, by utilizing roll-over curbing or similar, and that staff work with Lawson Engineering to address appropriate parking signage."
- b) Resolution #2026/c48 – April 13, 2026
"That a 4-way stop be installed at the Harold Street / Ward Avenue intersection."
- c) Resolution #2026/c143 – August 24, 2026
"That Slocan Village Council officially appoint Michelle Gordon as the Chief Election Officer, and Deborah Nelson as the Deputy Chief Election Officer, to conduct the 2026 General Local Election for the Village of Slocan."
- d) Resolution #2026/c147 – August 24, 2026
"That the Harold Street North Beautification Project's proposed "Sanitary Works", listed in the Statement of Quantities for \$132,213, be removed from project scope, as the lack of immediate need for sanitary infrastructure did not justify the cost; and further, that Council agree to consider in the future if needed."
- e) Resolution #2026/c150 – August 24, 2026
"That staff be directed to start preparing the draft budget for 2027 for review, in preparation for the new Council."

Public Participation:

Fredrickson

Dave Fredrickson thanked Council, and expressed his appreciation for each of their time served.

Cendese

Alex Cendese thanked Council, and expressed his appreciation for each of their time served.

Adjournment

2026/219

Moved by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:
That the meeting be adjourned at 7:27pm.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor