

CITY OF GREENWOOD

Regular Council Meeting

**Tuesday, February 15, 2022
7:00 pm**

AGENDA

1. Call to Order

2. Adoption of Agenda

3. Question and Answer Period – Open for questions and answers related to the current agenda only – maximum time period is 15 minutes.

4. Adoption of the Minutes

- a. Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of January 24, 2022

5. Correspondence for Information

- a. RDKB Board Highlights – January 26, 2022
- b. UBCM – The Compass newsletter
- c. Ministry of Municipal Affairs information
- d. District of Stewart – BC Wildfires Petition letter of support
- e. Interior Health information
- f. Girl Guides of Canada request for support
- g. Heritage BC – Heritage Week 2022 information
- h. BC Epilepsy Society request for support
- i. Selkirk Innovates – State of the Basin Focus newsletter
- j. Vaagen Fibre Canada
- k. Village of Chase – BC Wildfires Petition letter of support

6. Councillor's Reports

7. Mayor's Report

8. Accounts Payable

- a. December 31, 2021 (year-end)
- b. January 22 – February 11, 2022

9. New and Unfinished Business

- a. City of Greenwood – Reservoir funding and grant

10. Late (Emergent) Items

11. Discussion of Items for Future Agendas

12. Question Period

Excerpt from Council Procedures Bylaw 674 Section 14

Immediately prior to the adjournment of every regular meeting of Council, questions, but not statements, relating to matters dealt with at that meeting may be directed to Council by members of the public then present. All such questions shall be directed to the Mayor and will, where possible and appropriate, be answered by the Mayor or a member designated by the Mayor.

A maximum period of 15 minutes shall be provided for considering question from member of the public; however, that maximum may be extended to 30 minutes with the unanimous consent of all Council members present.

13. Adjournment



CITY OF GREENWOOD
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 24, 2022

PRESENT

Mayor B. Noll
Councillors: C. Lang, J. Bolt, M. Seymour

ABSENT

Councillor J. Nathorst
Marcus Lebler, CAO/CFO

ALSO PRESENT

Andrea Sherstobitoff, CO

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor B. Noll called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: M. Seymour / C. Lang
THAT the January 24, 2022 agenda be adopted as presented.
Carried

(12-22)

**QUESTION & ANSWER
PERIOD**

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Regular Council Meeting Minutes
January 10, 2022

Motion: M. Seymour / C. Lang
THAT the minutes of the January 10, 2022 Regular Council
Meeting be adopted.

(13-22)

Carried

**CORRESPONDENCE FOR
INFORMATION**

- | | |
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| a.) BC Reconciliation Award – 2022 call for nominations | Information |
| b.) Interior Health Authority – COVID-19 information | Information |
| c.) RDKB Board of Directors – meeting highlights | Information |
| d.) BC Ministry of Municipal Affairs | Information |
| e.) BC Epilepsy Society – epilepsy awareness month | Information |
| f.) Sustainable Forestry Initiative Community Grants | Information |
| g.) UBCM – The Compass newsletter | Information |

- h.) Order of British Columbia – 2022 call for Information
nominations

Motion: C. Lang / M. Seymour

THAT the correspondence items a.) through h.) be accepted as information.

(14-22)

Carried

COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor Lang: Attended a Heritage Society meeting.

Councillor Nathorst: n/a

Councillor Bolt: Attended a West Boundary Community Forest meeting.

Councillor Seymour: Attended a Greenwood Public Library meeting.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Preparation for Greenwood's 125th anniversary celebrations are underway. Many events are planned and volunteers are needed.

Motion: M. Seymour / J. Bolt

THAT the reports be accepted as presented.

(15-22)

Carried

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Motion: C. Lang / J. Bolt

THAT Council receive the cash disbursement accounts payable report in the amount of \$43,198.16 for December 31, 2021.

(16-22)

Carried

Motion: C. Lang / M. Seymour

THAT Council receive the cash disbursement accounts payable report in the amount of \$28,861.19 for the period of January 8 to January 20, 2022.

(17-22)

Carried

NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a.) Greenwood 125th
Anniversary Event –
committee funds

Motion: J. Bolt / C. Lang

THAT Council direct staff to release the Centennial Trust Funds to the 125th Anniversary Committee towards 2022's 125th anniversary events.

(18-22)

Carried

- b.) Berkley Springs
International Water
Tasting 2022

Motion: M. Seymour / J. Bolt

THAT Council approve Greenwood's registration in the 2022 Berkley Springs International Water Tasting contest.

(19-22)

Carried

BYLAWS

- a.) Bylaw No. 987, 2022 **Motion: C. Lang / M. Seymour**
Fees and Charges Bylaw THAT Council give Fourth and Final Readings to Bylaw No.
987, 2022.
(20-22) **Carried**

QUESTION PERIOD

- ADJOURNMENT** **Motion: M. Seymour**
THAT Council adjourn the regular meeting at 7:27 pm.
(21-22) **Carried**

Barry Noll, Mayor

Certified Correct

Andrea Sherstobitoff, Corporate Officer



Board Highlights

January 26, 2022

A general overview of discussion items & major decisions from the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary (RDKB) Board of Directors' meeting. The next regular board meeting is February 9, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. on Zoom.

RDKB to undertake region-wide Alternative Approval Process

The Board approved staff to proceed with an alternative approval process to determine if eligible electors are opposed to the RDKB entering into long-term borrowing to fund necessary upgrades to the McKelvey Creek Regional Landfill and to purchase organics processing equipment. Any eligible electors who are opposed to the long-term borrowing will be able to submit an Elector Response Form between February 18 and March 21, 2022. For information on the project and the process, please visit

<https://jointheconversation.rdkb.com/>

Anyone interested in learning more about the solid waste management projects and the alternative approval process is invited to attend a virtual open house at **6:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 17, 2022**. To attend, please call 250.368.0225 or email corporate@rdkb.com to register.

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Town Hall Meetings Coming Soon

The public is invited to take part in the RDKB's virtual electoral area Town Hall meetings. These events provide residents with an opportunity to **review the RDKB's proposed 2022 Budget** and **2022–2026 Five-Year Financial Plan**. Your electoral area director and RDKB staff will be in attendance to talk about programs, services and projects; explain how your tax dollars are spent; answer questions; and gather your input.

We want to hear from you!

The schedule of meetings is as follows:

Area A:	6 p.m. on Monday, February 7, 2022
Area B/Lower Columbia-Old Glory:	6 p.m. on Monday, March 7, 2022
Area C/Christina Lake:	6 p.m. on Monday, January 31, 2022
Area D/Rural Grand Forks:	6 p.m. on Wednesday, February 16, 2022
Area E/West Boundary:	6 p.m. on Monday, February 28, 2022
Area E/Big White:	6 p.m. on Tuesday, March 1, 2022

Want to participate? For more info on how to attend these meetings, please visit <https://rdkb.com/town-halls>



Board to hold Special Budget Meetings

The RDKB Board will hold special meetings on **Wednesday, February 2, 2022** and **Wednesday, February 24, 2022** for budget deliberations. The meetings start at 1:00 p.m. and are open to the public. For Zoom login details, please contact corporate@rdkb.com or call 250.368.0225.

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Figure 1 - Dr. Sarah-Patricia Breen

Selkirk Innovates

Dr. Sarah-Patricia Breen is the Regional Innovation Chair in Rural Economic Development at Selkirk College, which is part of Selkirk Innovates. Dr. Breen gave the Board of Directors an overview of her role and her work. Her goal is to “inform and support our rural region to thrive under conditions of rapid change.” Her focus is rural regional resilience, which includes economic and community development; technology and innovation; and infrastructure and services. She can provides the RDKB with advisory and support services and will explore future research projects. For example, she is working with the RDKB on its Climate Action Plan. Dr. Breen will also facilitate connections with other academic researchers. For more info on Selkirk Innovates, visit <https://selkirk.ca/innovates>



Grants-in-Aid: Board-approved Funding to Local Groups/Projects

Area C/Christina Lake:

- Christina Gateway Community Development Association – Welcome Centre Meeting OWL: \$2,000
- Christina Lake Community Association – OWL Pro unit, accessories and upgrades: \$2,500
- Okanagan Nation Alliance – Fish in Schools Program: \$2,000

Area D/Rural Grand Forks:

- Grand Forks Art Gallery Society (Gallery 2) – modular metal shelving units: \$5,000
- Okanagan Nation Alliance – Fish in Schools Program: \$1,000

Area E/West Boundary:

- Trails to the Boundary Society – Kettle River Echo newsletter support: \$5,000
- West Boundary Senior Housing Society – bus insurance, inspection and fuel costs: \$2,100

These highlights exclude confidential information such as business negotiations, personnel issues and legal matters. For full meeting agendas/minutes visit rdkb.civicweb.net. For a list of upcoming board meetings, visit rdkb.com.

For other information or to provide feedback, please contact our Corporate Officer at 250-368-0225 or corporate@rdkb.com.

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From: Union of BC Municipalities <ubcm@ubcm.ca>
Sent: January 26, 2022 11:41 AM
To: frontdesk.greenwoodcity@shaw.ca
Subject: Province, UBCM commit to review local government finance

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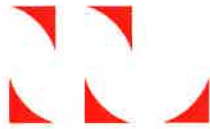
Province, UBCM commit to review local government finance



The Province and Union of BC Municipalities will work together to review the local government finance system in B.C. to ensure that municipal governments and regional districts remain resilient in the face of economic changes. [Read more](#)

RCMP amends vaccine policy for support staff

The RCMP has updated its vaccine policy for local government support staff (i.e. those that work in RCMP detachments). New guidance requests that affected local government employees be fully vaccinated “as soon as possible.” This replaces previous expectations, communicated on December 10, 2021, that affected individuals be fully vaccinated by the end of 2021. [Read more](#)



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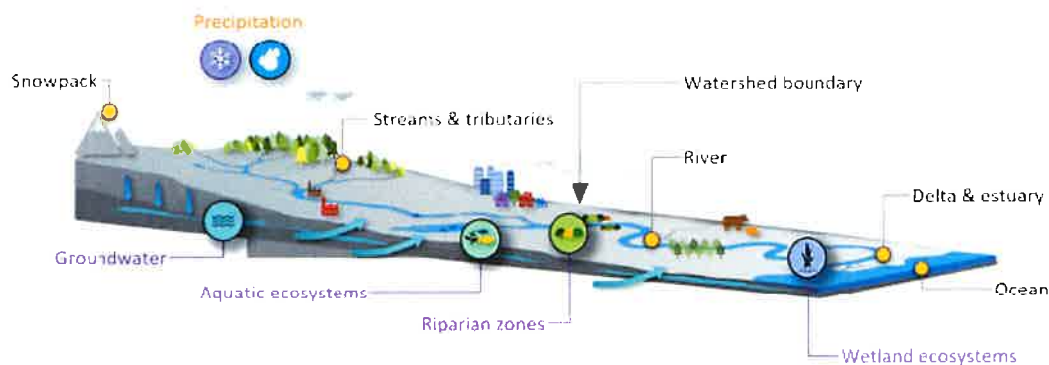
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From: Union of BC Municipalities <ubcm@ubcm.ca>
Sent: February 2, 2022 11:25 AM
To: frontdesk.greenwoodcity@shaw.ca
Subject: Watershed security; Indigenous relations survey; Bylaw adjudication; FireSmart conference; Convention minutes



BC launches watershed security strategy engagement

WHAT IS A WATERSHED?



The BC Government launched engagement on a new provincial Watershed Security Strategy and Fund on January 25, and has prepared a discussion paper to provide background information and enable input on a broad range of watershed security related themes. The themes include watershed governance, data and science, reconciliation, drinking water, land use planning, supply and demand, and funding. [Read more](#)

Local government-Indigenous relations survey

UBCM is launching a new survey on Indigenous Relations intended for local government staff and elected officials. This survey will be used to inform advocacy and

Bylaw adjudication town hall

On March 2, 2022, the Ministry of Attorney General, in partnership with UBCM, will be hosting a town hall meeting with local governments on the bylaw adjudication program. Local government senior staff

update existing reconciliation and relationship building resources for members. [Read more](#)

members interested in attending may RSVP to Alvin Lau, Senior Policy & Planning Analyst, Court Services Branch, Ministry of Attorney General. [Read more](#)

FireSmart BC 2022 Conference

Registration is now open for the 2022 FireSmart BC Conference: Building Collaboration and Community – May 11 and 12th, 2022 in Kamloops, BC. [Read more](#)



Federal consultations on landfill emissions

The Government of Canada has launched two consultations on measures to reduce methane emissions from landfills. The first seeks input on proposed methane emission reduction regulations, while the second invites feedback on a proposed greenhouse gas offset system protocol. [Read more](#)

2021 UBCM Convention Minutes

The [minutes](#) of the 2021 Annual Convention are now available. These minutes comprise the official record of the proceedings of the 2021 Annual Convention, held virtually from September 14-17, 2021.

Approach to Geographical Naming Engagement

The Province is conducting engagement on updates to British Columbia's Geographical Naming Principles, Policy, and Procedures to further reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples. Interested local government representatives are asked to [register](#) in advance to participate in virtual engagement sessions being held on February 8 and 9, or [email](#) for a link to an online survey.

Funding and Resources Update will be provided in next week's Compass



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To: frontdesk.greenwoodcity@shaw.ca
Subject: Throne Speech; RCMP Contract; RD Forum; EA Forum agenda; Funding & Resources update

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BC Throne Speech Highlights



On February 8th, Lieutenant Governor Janet Austin delivered the Speech from the Throne to open the next session of the Legislature. The speech outlined steps taken by the provincial government to address the impacts of Covid-19 on British Columbians as well as commitments for the coming year on housing, reconciliation, climate change and land management. [Read more](#)

Update on RCMP Collective Agreement

The federal government intends to deliver correspondence to contract partners in the coming weeks, providing cost projections associated with the new RCMP collective bargaining agreement. Despite this action, UBCM continues to request that the federal government cover all retroactive costs associated with the implementation of the collective agreement. [Read more](#)

Electoral Area Directors' Forum agenda

The Electoral Area Directors' Forum agenda has been finalized and is available on the UBCM website. This event will take place on April 5 and 6 at the Radisson Hotel Vancouver Airport in Richmond, BC. [Read more](#)

Regional District CAO and Chair Forum

The Regional District CAO and Chair Forum returns in 2022 as an in-person event, on March 22 (afternoon) and March 23 (morning). The event will be held at the Hotel Grand Pacific in Victoria, BC. Please register by March 11, 2022. [Read more](#)

Funding & resources update

Each month we provide an update on UBCM funding programs and information on other programs, events, and resources that may be of interest to local governments and First Nations. [Read more](#)

Provincial Indigenous housing strategy

The Aboriginal Housing Management Association (AHMA) has released BC's first Provincial Urban Rural and Northern Indigenous Housing [Strategy](#). This strategy outlines a 10-year plan to address the housing needs of off-reserve Indigenous people in BC, including an implementation plan that identifies funding, resources and activities for successful implementation. Interested local governments can contact [Cliff Grant](#), AHMA Director of Strategic Relations regarding Housing Needs Assessments and Indigenous content.

Driver's licence number changes

ICBC has announced plans to increase the length of new driver's licence numbers (DLNs). Numbers on existing driver licences are seven (7) digits and will not change; but beginning in 2023, numbers assigned for new driver licences will be eight (8) digits. Indigenous and local governments are encouraged to consider whether this change could impact their information systems and business operations. [Read more](#)

Active Transportation in Small Towns

The BC Alliance for Healthy Living has completed their final [report](#) on active transportation in small towns. The report aims to improve understanding of how small communities can increase active transportation and realize its health benefits; and features six small town leaders in active transportation from across BC.

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January 27, 2022

Ref: 269215

Dear Chief Administrative Officers and Corporate Officers:

At the outset, I want to acknowledge the challenges the current COVID-19 wave is posing for everyone and recognize the difficulties that may be faced by local government operations as we move through this next phase of the pandemic. I appreciate and thank local governments for the continued dedication and support in keeping their communities healthy and safe. Recognizing the volume of information around the pandemic, I wanted to highlight some recent changes for you.

COVID-19 Safety Plans

On January 7, 2022, the Provincial Health Officer announced an order requiring employers to reactivate their COVID-19 Safety Plans to reduce the spread of the highly transmissible Omicron variant of the COVID-19 virus.

The new [Workplace Safety Order](#) requires employers to re-activate their COVID-19 Safety Plans within the communicable disease plans that are already in place. WorkSafeBC has provided guidance on reactivation or development of these plans and further information can be found [here](#).

On January 18, 2022, the PHO announced that gyms, fitness centres, and other indoor exercise and fitness facilities are permitted to open effective January 20, 2022, provided they follow additional measures. Further information can be found [here](#).

Meetings

Where possible, local governments are encouraged to shift to electronic meetings for their members if it is authorized in their procedure bylaw. Amendments to the electronic meeting rules that came into force on September 29, 2021, provide local governments with the flexibility to have members attend regular and committee meetings electronically (in addition to special meetings). If you have not already done so, you may wish to review and amend your procedure bylaw to ensure that your council or board has the flexibility to hold meetings electronically so that all council or board members may attend virtually, if necessary. Further guidance can be found [here](#).

In terms of restricting the public to virtual attendance, the rules require that a place be available for the public to attend to hear, or watch, regular and special meetings held electronically to support accessibility and transparency and that a municipal officer be in attendance. The place may be in the

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regular council, a board meeting space, or another space with the appropriate with health and safety measures in place.

Some local governments have asked whether the Minister can restrict public attendance at meetings or override the requirement to provide a place for the public for electronic meetings. Previous orders issued earlier in the pandemic that limited in-person public attendance at open meetings or required local governments to make “best efforts” to have the public in attendance were exceptional orders under the *Emergency Program Act* during a Provincial State of Emergency.

Presently, no legislative authority exists to allow the Minister to issue a Ministerial Order (or any other legislative tool) to override public presence at open meetings (including providing a place for the public when electronic meetings are held). Our understanding from the Provincial Health Officer is that there is no intention for any additional restrictions for local government meetings, including restricting in-person attendance at open meetings.

I would encourage all local governments to consider enhanced safety measures where in-person attendance is required to support the health and safety of staff and the public. These measures could include plexiglass, limiting capacity, ensuring physical distancing, and encouraging members of the public to attend virtually as much as possible.

Public Hearings

Public hearings may be held fully electronically and are not required to have a place for the public. Further information is available [here](#).

Proof of Vaccination

As noted in my previous communication, the PHO has indicated that that the proof of vaccination requirement **does not apply** to formal local government business, including by-elections, council/board meetings and public hearings for both council/board members as well as the public attending these events. The reasoning for this is to ensure that access to local government business, including meetings, is not restricted. The local government COVID-19 Safety Plan and health and safety measures put in place can help support safe meeting spaces.

The Ministry’s understanding is that various local governments have taken different approaches to vaccination policies (typically for employees). If local governments are considering adoption of vaccination policies that apply to the public and elected officials, you will want to seek legal advice on the implications of implementing those policies. For example, if there were a vaccination policy for elected officials would the requirements of the local government legislation continue to be met (e.g., attendance at meetings).

We encourage you to keep watching [BC’s Response to COVID-19](#) website for updates. Questions about COVID-19 safety in specific settings may also be directed to WorkSafeBC’s Prevention Information Line at 604.276.3100 in the Lower Mainland (toll-free within B.C. at 1 888 621 SAFE).

Other COVID related information impacting local governments can be found here:
<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/governments/local-governments/governance-powers/covid-19>

If you have questions regarding council or board meetings or timelines for the various pieces of information above, I encourage you to contact our Governance and Structure Branch. You can reach the Governance and Structure Branch by phone at 250-387-4020 or email at LGGovernance@gov.bc.ca. For questions about public hearings please contact the Planning and Land Use Management Branch by phone at 250 387-3394 or by email at PLUM@gov.bc.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T Faganello', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Tara Faganello
Assistant Deputy Minister

pc: Honourable Josie Osborne, Minister of Municipal Affairs
Laurey-Anne Roodenburg, President, UBCM
Gary MacIsaac, Executive Director, UBCM
Candace Witkowskyj, Executive Director, LGMA
Todd Pugh, Executive Director, CivicInfo



DISTRICT OF STEWART

Office of the Mayor

January 28, 2022

Mr. Taylor Bachrach, MP for Skeena-Bulkley Valley
House of Commons
Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0A6

sent via email to: Taylor.Bachrach@parl.gc.ca

Dear Mr. Bachrach,

Re: BC Wildfires Petition – Letter of Support

Council considered correspondence from the District of Lillooet at the January 24, 2022 Regular Council Meeting, and made a resolution to support the community's BC Wildfires Petition.

The BC Wildfires petition that was previously sent to BC Municipalities from the District of Lillooet, is addressed to the Government of Canada and asks for the Government of BC and Canada to empower local persons, those working with licensees, industry and contractors, Indigenous communities, ranchers and workers such as fire fighters, forestry workers, and all those that see the day-to-day issues and have front line knowledge to provide feedback on the inconsistencies and shortcomings with regard to forest management and wildfire prevention in order to help bring about much-needed change.

Inspired by the Ontario government who assembled an 'All Hazards Agency' that employs people to manage fire, flood and slides, we believe that BC needs this type of agency as well.

We support the District of Lillooet's belief that impacts to lumber prices and job availability, mill closures, current and future mudslides, damage to critical habitat, and house insurance increases are trickle effects that will continue to have detrimental effects on BC's future if we do not make necessary changes to current forest practice procedures.

Consequently, the District of Stewart calls upon the Provincial and Federal Governments to provide better forest management and wildfire protection by assessing the current policies and guidelines to enhance those that are working to re-evaluate and change those that are not.

We respectfully request that you present our letter supporting the District of Lillooet's BC Wildfires petition to the Clerk of Petitions and upon receiving certification, to the House of Commons.

On behalf of Council, thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Gina McKay
Mayor
District of Stewart

Cc: Hon. Nathan Cullen, MLA for Stikine
District of Lillooet
Councils of BC Communities

For Immediate Release | January 31, 2022

Summerland Health Centre Laboratory reopening Feb. 3

SUMMERLAND – Summerland residents are advised the Summerland Health Centre Outpatient Laboratory, located at 12815 Atkinson Road, will be reopening this week.

Beginning Feb. 3, 2022, the laboratory will be open two-days per week, on Mondays and Thursdays from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. for walk-in service only. Laboratory service at the Health Centre is prioritized for vulnerable patients, people who are unable to travel, or for urgent collections at this time.

Walk-in service and appointments are also available at nearby locations in Penticton and Peachland:

Penticton Regional Hospital Laboratory (walk-in service and appointments)

550 Carmi Avenue, Penticton

Monday to Friday: 7:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Online appointment booking preferred at www.labonlinebooking.ca or call 1-877-740-7747. Limited walk-in service is available.

ECG services offered through Cardiology Monday to Friday: 8 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. (walk-in service)

Peachland, Valley Medical Laboratory (walk-in service and appointments)

IGA Plaza, #26 – 5500 Clements Crescent, Peachland

Monday to Friday: 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

(Wednesday 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. is by appointments only)

Online booking available at <https://valleymedicallaboratories.com>

Penticton Downtown, Okanagan Clinical Laboratory (walk-in service only)

Suite 302, 383 Ellis Street, Penticton

Monday to Friday: 8 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

ECG service available

Somerset Plaza, Okanagan Clinical Laboratory (walk-in service only)

Suite 108, 2504 Skaha Lake Rd, Penticton

Monday to Friday: 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

ECG service available

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Front Desk

From: Media <Media@interiorhealth.ca>
Sent: February 11, 2022 11:02 AM
To: Undisclosed recipients:
Subject: Royal Inland Hospital welcomes newest cohort of graduate nurses
Attachments: Royal_Inland_Hospital_welcomes_newest_cohort_of_graduate_nurses.pdf



PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

For Immediate Release | February 11, 2022

Royal Inland Hospital welcomes newest cohort of graduate nurses

KAMLOOPS – Royal Inland Hospital (RIH) is celebrating the newest cohort of nursing graduates successfully recruited to work at RIH.

"Interior Health is actively recruiting in Kamloops and throughout the region," said Interior Health president and CEO, Susan Brown. "We are working closely with education partners and reaching out to graduates to offer them rewarding career opportunities with Interior Health. We want to encourage them to enjoy the perks of living and working in the beautiful Interior region after they complete their studies."

Twenty-eight nursing students who have recently, or who are about to graduate during the 2021/2022 academic year have been hired specifically to work at RIH.

"RIH is a great partner and has employed many graduates in the past. We are pleased that they have streamlined the hiring process which allows nursing students to know they will have a job prior to graduation," said Rani H. Srivastava, Dean of Nursing at Thompson Rivers University.

Of the twenty-eight new graduates, twenty-one of them have or will graduate from Thompson Rivers University.

"Our team at Royal Inland Hospital is grateful for the strong partnership with Thompson Rivers University, and we are pleased to be a top employer for new nursing graduates from across the Interior, in particular from Thompson Rivers University," said Tracey Rannie, executive director of clinical operations at RIH. "We always look forward to welcoming new graduates and the energy they will bring to our hospital as they take the first steps of their healthcare careers."

Across all facilities, Interior Health has hired 108 nursing students who have recently or who are about to graduate during the 2021/2022 academic year.

From: BC PR & Communications Adviser <bc-prcomm@girlguides.ca>

Sent: January 31, 2022 2:52 AM

To: greenwoodcity@shaw.ca

Subject: Guiding Lights Across BC - Feb 22, 2022

Hello Mayor and Council,

I am following up on my previous email in January. On behalf of Girl Guides of Canada's British Columbia Council, I am writing to **ask for your support for girl empowerment in BC this February 22, by lighting up your building(s) with exterior lighting or interior window lights in the colour blue.** Blue is the well-known colour of Girl Guides and girls/women in BC have worn their blue Girl Guide uniforms with pride for many generations. We currently have over 50 landmarks across the province lighting up blue!

Every year on February 22, Girl Guides celebrate World Thinking Day, a day of international friendship. It is an opportunity to speak out on issues that affect girls and young women, celebrate the founding of Girl Guides, and be connected to the 10 million members around the world who are part of the Guiding movement.

Here in British Columbia, we have thousands of girls and women who are members of Girl Guides of Canada. We have Girl Guide programs in nearly every community in BC, and our girls/volunteers light up their communities year-round through leadership, community service, and efforts to create *a better world, by girls*. Girls typically participate in annual Thinking Day activities held on/around February 22. Due to the continuing effects of COVID-19, our usual large gatherings, campfire singalongs, community events, special camps, and other activities are impacted, and so this year will again look different than usual.

For Thinking Day 2022, we will be celebrating in a way that is COVID-friendly, keeps our communities safe, and brings a smile to the faces of girls, families, volunteers, and the public: [Guiding Lights Across British Columbia](#). This community initiative will light up outdoor landmarks, bridges, buildings, stadiums, and other illuminated locations, with blue lights, in celebration of the sisterhood of Guiding across BC and beyond, on February 22. participating locations and the Guiding Lights Poster can be found at: www.girlguides.ca/guidinglightsacrossbc

We will be mobilizing our members to admire these lit-up sites in ways that comply with COVID-19 rules (both from public health authorities and Girl Guides' own member safety protocols) in effect at that time, posting photos on social media, emailing our members with info about how to participate, and more. We are excited for this open-air opportunity that will enable everyone to safely celebrate.

Our Girl Guide members and broader network of supporters would be thrilled to have your landmarks lit up as part of Guiding Lights Across British Columbia, and to highlight your participation as part of this province-wide event. Please contact us at bc-prcomm@girlguides.ca to confirm your ability to participate in this February 22, 2022, activity.

Thank you for your support for Guiding in BC!

Isabella Lee (She/Her) | BC Public Relations and Communications Adviser

BC Council, Girl Guides of Canada

bc-prcomm@girlguides.ca / (cell) 778-677-6452

I respectfully acknowledge that I live and work within the ancestral, traditional, and unceded territory of the Songhees, Esquimalt, and WSÁNEĆ Nations.



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Heritage BC



Greetings!

Every year, Heritage BC actively promotes Heritage Week throughout the province with posters, proclamations, and themed events. For Heritage Week 2022, we are mailing 1000 posters to libraries, schools, local governments, MLAs, MPs, museums, and heritage organizations around the province to raise awareness. We can't wait to see the amazing activities and events that you will be hosting in the name of Heritage Week! Tag us in your events, @heritagebc on any social media platform, and we'll add them to our Heritage Week 2022 All Events Calendar. Use the hashtag #BCheritageweek to show how you're celebrating.

Of course, Heritage Week is only one of the many valued programs and services that we offer to BC cultural and heritage organizations. Here are some of our other programs and advocacy work:

Webinars-On-Demand: Our live and recorded webinars are free to our members. Our website is the go-to resource to answer any heritage-related question. Can't find an answer? Contact us and we will find it for you.

Annual Conference: Every May, our conference offers a chance to hear from respected colleagues and new voices alike as we explore the breadth of cultural heritage from exciting new perspectives. This year, join us for three weeks in a first-time joint conference with the BC Museums Association. Details to be announced during Heritage Week.

Resource Guides: We work with experts to develop comprehensive and approachable guides, so you don't have to. Whether it's conservation, climate adaptation, or our most recent guide, "Setting the Bar: A Reconciliation Guide for Heritage", these are accessible tools that you can return to time and time again.

BC Heritage Awards: Each year, we recognize and celebrate the achievements of individuals, organizations, groups, businesses, and local and regional governments in communities across BC. Our celebration of 2022 achievements will be done at our annual conference in May.

Heritage BC is your advocate: From building a list of provincial policy recommendations to our close work with the National Trust for Canada, we help your voice be heard at provincial and national levels. Our "Making a Case for Heritage" resource guide gives members the tools to advocate for heritage in your communities.

You can learn more about Heritage BC at www.heritagebc.ca or by emailing us at info@heritagebc.ca. We would love to hear from you.

As you put up the Heritage Week poster, we hope you will also consider becoming a Heritage BC member. For only \$35 (individual) or \$75 (organization), you can support a great cause that offers tremendous value to our province.

Thank you from everyone at Heritage BC!

Kirstin Clausen
Executive Director
604-417-7243
kclausen@heritagebc.ca

As an organization of provincial scope, Heritage BC recognizes that its members, and the local history and heritage they seek to preserve, occupy the lands and territories of B.C.'s Indigenous peoples. Heritage BC asks its members to reflect on the places where they reside and work, and to respect the diversity of cultures and experiences that form the richness of our provincial heritage.



February 3rd, 2022

Via Email: frontdesk.greenwoodcity@shaw.ca

Mayor and Council
City of Greenwood
202 South Government Avenue
P.O. Box 129
Greenwood, BC V0H 1J0

To Mayor and Council,

Re: We wish Mayor and Council to recognize March 26th as Purple Day

Epilepsy is one of the most common neurological conditions, however, it has the least recognition in society. The BC Epilepsy Society is a provincially incorporated non-profit organization and a federally registered charitable organization that serves the over 50,000 people living with epilepsy in BC and their families, friends and loved ones and works to raise awareness of epilepsy in the communities in which we live.

We are excited to let you know that International PURPLE DAY® for Epilepsy Awareness is coming up and will take place on March 26th, 2022. International PURPLE DAY® for Epilepsy Awareness is a time when people in countries around the world take part in events and activities to raise much-needed awareness of epilepsy.

We would like to request a Proclamation from Mayor and Council designating March 26th, 2022, as International PURPLE DAY® for Epilepsy Awareness in the City of Greenwood. Included with this letter is a document outlining our draft Proclamation.

Through your participation in International PURPLE DAY® for Epilepsy Awareness on March 26th, 2022, you will not only be able to show people living with epilepsy that they are not alone but will also get people talking about epilepsy in an effort to raise awareness of epilepsy in the community.

We look forward to working with you on International PURPLE DAY® for Epilepsy Awareness on March 26th, 2022, and in the future. Please feel free to contact me via email at deirdre@bcepilepsy.com or via telephone at 1-788-533-0790 should you have any questions or require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Deirdre Syms
Interim Executive Director
BC Epilepsy Society



2022 Proclamation Draft

"Purple Day"

WHEREAS Purple Day is celebrated on March 26 annually, during Epilepsy Awareness Month, to increase the knowledge and understanding of epilepsy that will improve the quality of life of British Columbians living with epilepsy:

AND WHEREAS Purple Day was founded in 2008 by Cassidy Megan, a nine-year-old girl from Nova Scotia, who wanted people living with epilepsy that they were not alone;

AND WHEREAS People in communities around the world are encouraged to wear purple and host events in support of epilepsy awareness on Purple Day;

AND WHEREAS There are over 50,000 people in British Columbia, over 380,000 people in Canada and over 65 million people worldwide living with epilepsy;

AND WHEREAS The onset of epilepsy can occur at any age and stage of life and does not discriminate against age, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, socioeconomic status, geographic location, or sexual orientation;

AND WHEREAS Purple Day is a health promotion effort that encourages people to raise awareness of epilepsy so that we can create a society that embraces the beauty of difference and understand how we can all come together to make the world a better place:

NOW THEREFORE I [Insert Name and Title] DO HEREBY PROCLAIM Saturday March 26th, 2022 as

"PURPLE DAY"

in the City of Greenwood

Front Desk

From: Selkirk Innovates <jjones1@selkirk.ca>
Sent: February 8, 2022 8:00 AM
To: frontdesk.greenwoodcity@shaw.ca
Subject: State of the Basin Focus - Historic Places: Recognizing Heritage Value and Supporting Tourist Activity



State of the Basin Focus

Stories of well-being in our region

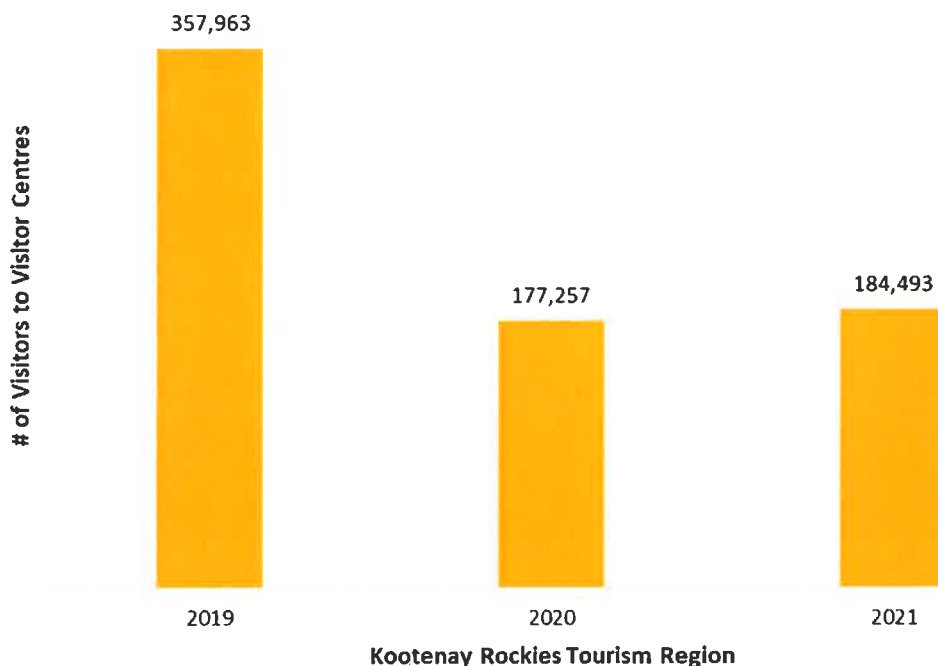
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Historic Places: Recognizing Heritage Value and Supporting Tourist Activity

Historic places contribute to sense of place and appreciation for the character and identity of a location. These sites with heritage values also attract tourists, often referred to as [Heritage Tourism](#).

The tourism industry has been heavily impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. In the Kootenay Rockies tourism region, the number of visitors recorded at visitor centers dropped 51% between 2019 and 2020 and only saw a small increase of 4% between 2020 and 2021. See the graph below and the [Tourist Activity Indicator](#) for more information.



New provincial funding was announced in May 2021 to help the tourism sector recover, with a total of \$13.6 million to be shared among BC's six tourism regions. In the Kootenay Rockies tourism region, investments will go towards [enhancing tourism amenities and experiences](#) such as developing electric vehicle and camping infrastructure.

In a September 2021 poll to residents of the Columbia Basin-Boundary Region, conducted through the State of the Basin initiative, 83% of respondents indicated agreement that tourism brings positive benefits to their community. (More results from this subjective well-being research will be released soon). [Destination BC market research](#), also conducted in September 2021, indicates that 81% of residents in BC plan to take an overnight trip within the province sometime in the next year. Historic places play a role in developing these tourism opportunities in the region.

Cultural values, such as historic places and heritage areas, draw interest from residents and tourists year-round. In the Columbia Basin-Boundary Region, there are 330 historic places recorded in the [provincial heritage register](#). These sites can be found in 35 different communities (municipalities or electoral areas) and each contributes to the vibrancy of the area. This list grew in 2020 with multiple local governments establishing or adding to their [Community Heritage Register](#), such as the [Regional District of Central Kootenay](#) and [City of Rossland](#).

One of the oldest historic places in our region is [Fort Steele Heritage Town](#), constructed circa 1864. Other sites include the [Rossland portion of the Dewdney Trail](#) (constructed in 1865), [historic Baker Street in Nelson](#) (constructed circa 1888), and [Kaslo City Hall](#) (constructed in 1898). Each of these locations is an important part of our region's history and continue to inspire exploration by both Kootenay locals and travelers to the region.

Please visit the State of the Basin website for more information about [Historic Places](#) in the region.

To learn more about other indicators of well-being, please visit the State of the Basin website [stateofthebasin.ca](#).

Statistics Canada - 2021 Census of Canada Webinar Series

Statistics Canada is offering two free webinars in February 2022 as the first data from the 2021 Census is released. These webinars will share information on census concepts, data products, and resources. *Note about intended target audience: These webinars are introductory and may be too basic for advanced data users.*

The Importance of Data Quality

February 8, 2022, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., Eastern Time

Register [here](#).

2021 Census Webinar Series: Population and Dwelling Counts

February 10, 2022, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m., Eastern Time

Register [here](#).

Workshop: Successful Proposal Writing

Join Selkirk Innovates on April 7 and April 8 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Pacific Time, for this free workshop presented by Dr. Dawn McArthur from the Research & Technology Development Office of BC Children's Hospital Research Institute.

This two-day virtual workshop will tackle key issues and provide tools, approaches and strategies to address the challenging "Start to Finish" of successful research funding proposals. This targets both beginners and experienced individuals and is designed to help participants acquire strategies, tools, and hands-on practice for developing competitive research funding proposals.

Click the button below to learn more about this exciting workshop and to register:

Learn more and register
here

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We want to hear from
you!



Selkirk Innovates gratefully acknowledges the support of Columbia Basin Trust.

State of the Basin Focus is a monthly e-newsletter highlighting stories of well-being in our region. You are receiving this email because you have attended a Selkirk College event, are a Selkirk College stakeholder, or have subscribed to receive updates on the State of the Basin.

Selkirk College acknowledges the First Nations of the West Kootenay and Boundary regions on whose traditional territories we are honoured to operate: the Sn̓ɬay̓čkstx (Sinixt), the Syilx (Okanagan), the Ktunaxa, and the Secwépemc (Shuswap). The State of the Basin initiative also extends to the traditional territory of the Lheidli T'enneh First Nation. We are grateful to these Nations as keepers of the lands and value their efforts to enhance resilience and well-being across the region.



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Vaagen Fibre Canada's Spring 2022 Achievement Report Coming Soon!



Vaagen Fibre Canada is a small, family-run mill in the rural community of Midway in the Boundary region of British Columbia. Our mill employs 88 local workers, and we hire another 100 people through direct contracting with the mill. Our two guiding values are **Sustainable Forestry** and **Supporting Our Local Indigenous and Rural Communities**.

We are so pleased to share our Spring 2022 Achievement Report with you so we can showcase what happens behind the scenes to help our Indigenous partners, rural communities, and forests thrive.

Look for your copy of the Spring 2022 Achievement Report arriving in your mailbox or inbox in the next few days. We look forward to hearing your comments and possibly setting up a tour for

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Sincerely,



Dan Macmaster, RPF, Fibre Manager

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February 1, 2022

Via email: mel.arnold@parl.gc.ca

Mel Arnold, Member of Parliament
North Okanagan-Shuswap
House of Commons
Ottawa, Ontario
Canada
K1A 0A6

Dear Mr. Arnold:

RE: BC Wildfires Petition-District of Lillooet

At their January 11, 2022 regular meeting, the Village of Chase Council considered correspondence from the District of Lillooet regarding the increasing risk and occurrences of wildfires, landslides and flooding in British Columbia.

In support of the 'Call to Action' petition and the District of Lillooet's motion, the following resolution was passed by Chase Council:

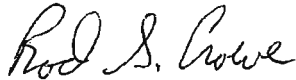
"THAT the Village of Chase send a letter to our Member of Parliament, Mel Arnold and copy our Member of the Legislative Assembly, Todd Stone, the Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resources Operations and Rural Development, the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, the Premier of British Columbia (with copies to the District of Lillooet and all UBCM member local governments) requesting that our Provincial and Federal Governments provide better forest management and wildfire protection practices in British Columbia by reviewing and assessing the current policies and guidelines and inviting feedback from a wide variety of stakeholders, with the sincere intent to make meaningful changes to the forest management and wildfire protection practices in British Columbia to provide better protection for all of us from wildfires, landslides, and floods."

As we are all aware, the wildfires, landslides and floods that have ravaged so much of British Columbia over the past years will only continue to damage valuable forests, businesses, homes and take the lives of humans and animals, if no action is taken to lessen the effects of climate change in BC with particular attention to forest management and wildfire protection practices.

We respectfully request that you share this correspondence with the House of Commons, and that the Call to Action will be answered as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,

VILLAGE OF CHASE

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rod S. Crowe". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Rod" being more prominent.

Rod Crowe, Mayor

Cc: Todd Stone, MLA, Kamloops-South Thompson
District of Lillooet
All UBCM Member Local Governments

Cheque Register-Summary-Bank



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City of Greenwood

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor Noll and Council

Date: February 10, 2022

From: Marcus Lebler, CAO

Subject: Investing in Canada's Infrastructure Program Fund – Reservoir Replacement

Location: City of Greenwood

Rationale:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's approval for moving forward with a grant application through the Investing in Canada's Infrastructure Program, Green Infrastructure, Environmental Quality fund for funding towards the replacement of the City's water reservoir.

Options:

1. Council may choose to support the recommendation.
2. Council may choose to refer back to staff for additional information.
3. Council may choose to not support the recommendation.

Recommendations:

That Council pass the following resolution: "That Council approve an application through Canada's Infrastructure Program, Green Infrastructure, Environmental Quality fund, requesting 73.33% of costs of \$2,933,200 towards the Water Reservoir Replacement Project and to allocate the City's 26.67% portion of \$1,066,800 to be funded from the Community Works Gas Tax reserve and borrowing, and;

To grant permission for Sean Annan of ISL Engineering and Land Services to apply for the Water Reservoir Replacement Project through Canada's Infrastructure Program, Green Infrastructure, Environmental Quality fund on behalf of the City of Greenwood."

Background / Report:

The Water Reservoir Replacement Project has an estimated total cost of \$4M. If the grant application is successful, the City will be responsible for 26.67% of the project costs, or \$1.1M. It is recommended this amount be funded through a combination of the Community Works Gas Tax Reserve and borrowing. If Council approves this grant application, staff will investigate borrowing options and present Council with a

detailed report at the next scheduled regular meeting. The Gas Tax reserve is estimated to have a balance of \$500k at the end of 2022. The Gas Tax program is set to expire in March of 2024. At this time, if there is a considerable amount of unspent funds in the City's Gas Tax reserve, we run the risk of these funds being clawed-back. A project of this size would be a good candidate to ensure these funds are spent by early 2024.

An important consideration for council will be the potential for the City's water to be treated with liquid chlorine to provide disinfection protection against the source water and for the existing and aged distribution system. Including the provision to chlorinate the City's water system will strengthen the grant application aligning it with the grant's primary objectives and better explains the need to improve the City's water system. This does not obligate the City to run the chlorination system once it has been constructed. If the City's water testing results remain within acceptable IHA quality parameters, the City can continue to run the water system untreated. Having a chlorination system in place will also serve as an important safeguard in case of future failure. It will provide the City the flexibility and resilience to continue to provide residents safe drinking water well into the future.

Given the dire need for a new water reservoir for the City's water utility, it's staff's recommendation that Council approve the proposed grant application. Replacement of the current reservoir is the single most important infrastructure need the City faces and justifies the need to borrow funds for the project.