

# City of Greenwood **July 2025**

#### **Upcoming Council Meetings**

• Monday July 14 at 7pm

#### **Committee Of The Whole Meeting**

• Monday July 14 at 5pm

All Council meetings are held in Council Chambers at Greenwood City Hall, or you are welcome to join via Zoom. For information on how to attend via Zoom please contact City Hall.

#### **Upcoming Town Halls**

• July 23rd - Communication, how are we doing? 7pm @ McArthur Centre

#### **Upcoming Coffee with Councils**

 July 17th - 11am to 12pm noon - at the Seniors Centre



#### Welcome to Our Community! Stay Connected with Us

If you're new to town, we want to ensure you stay informed and don't miss out on any important updates or events. Please contact City Hall to provide your correct:

Mailing Address, phone number & Email Keeping your information up to date helps us serve you better and keep you in the loop. We're glad you're here!

#### **Upcoming City Hall Closures**

Please be advised that City Hall will be closed on the following statutory holidays:

• Tuesday, July 1st

Regular hours resume 8:30am Wednesday July 2

• Monday, August 4th

Regular hours resume 8:30am Tuesday August 5

Please plan your City business accordingly Thank you for your understanding





#### Property Taxes Are Due July 2, 2025

Attention Greenwood residents: Property taxes due July 02, 2025. Any outstanding balances after this date are now subject to a 10% penalty. To avoid further penalties or interest, please make your payment as soon as possible. If you have questions about your tax bill or need assistance please contact City Hall at 250-445-6644 or email reception@greenwoodcity.ca

#### <u>2025 Tax Sale - Important Notice</u>

The City of Greenwood's 2025 Tax Sale is scheduled to take place on September 29, 2025 at 10:00 AM in the Council Chambers at City Hall,

located at 202 South Government Avenue, Greenwood, BC.

Property owners are reminded that ALL delinquent property taxes must be paid in full prior to the tax sale date to avoid their property being included in the sale. For more information, please contact City Hall at:

250-445-6644 or email reception@greenwoodcity.ca

#### 2025 Third Quarter Utility Bills

The 2025 Third quarter utility bills will arive in mail boxes in early August and are due September 30, 2025. To avoid a 2.5% penalty for late payments, please ensure your payment is submitted on time.

#### **Payment Options:**

- 1. Mail: Send your payment to City Hall.
- 2. **Drop Box:** Use the secure drop box on City Hall's front steps.
- 3. Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT): Through your financial institution (allow 3 business days for processing).
- 4. E-Transfer: Send to finance.greenwoodcity@shaw.ca.
  - Include your account number in the memo section to ensure proper processing.



#### Monthly Newsletter – Coming Your Way!

Starting July 2025, the Greenwood Newsletter is going monthly! Stay up to date with community news, events, and more.

**Don't miss an issue** — subscribe to our mailing list by emailing:

™ reception@greenwoodcity.ca

#### **Property Maintenance Reminder**

The City of Greenwood would like to remind all property owners and occupiers of their responsibilities under Good Neighbour Bylaw No. 1013-2024, specifically Section 7 -Property Maintenance.

#### To support a clean, safe, and well-maintained community, please ensure that:

- Rubbish, water, or other offensive materials are not allowed to collect or overflow on vour property
- Properties are kept free from unsightly or noxious conditions
- Dead vegetation, weeds, and overgrown landscaping are removed
- Demolition or construction waste is not left to accumulate, even when a building permit has been issued
- Derelict vehicles are not stored on private property unless permitted by zoning regulations

These standards help maintain the health, safety, and overall appearance of our community. For further information or questions regarding bylaw compliance, please contact City Hall at:

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#### <u>🎉 Congratulations to Brooke McCourt! 🎉</u>

The City of Greenwood is absolutely thrilled to celebrate one of our own! On behalf of Mayor and Council, and all City staff, we extend our heartfelt congratulations to our **Corporate Officer**, **Brooke McCourt**, on receiving the **Most Impactful New Professional Award** from the **Local Government Management Association of British Columbia** (LGMA), presented to her at the 2025 Confrence in Kelowna on June 12.

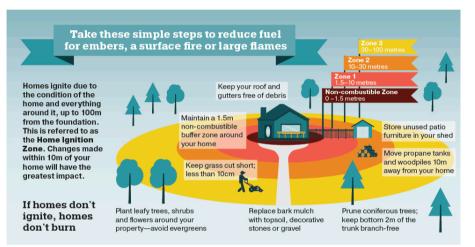
This prestigious award recognizes the accomplishment, dedication, and spirit of an outstanding new professional working in local government for under five years — and Brooke truly exemplifies all of that and more.

Since joining the City, Brooke has made an incredible impact through her professionalism, innovation, and unwavering commitment to serving the community. Her enthusiasm and integrity are evident in everything she does, and we are so proud to see her hard work recognized on the provincial stage.

Please join us in congratulating Brooke on this well-deserved honour!
Greenwood is lucky to have you!

#### Fire Smart

The FireSmart BC Program is a provincial initiative aimed at reducing the risk of wildfire damage to homes, communities, and forests. Everyone's actions count. Whether you're a homeowner, renter, or community leader, following FireSmart principles helps build a wildfire-resilient British Columbia. https://firesmartbc.ca/



#### **Fire Regulations & Information**

For the most up to date Fire Bans & Restrictions please visit:

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/wildfirestatus/prevention/fire-bans-and-restrictions/openburning

- **Burn Permits:**
- A burn permit is required for any open burning.
- Permits are free of charge and can be obtained at City Hall.
- Name in the important: Burn barrels are not permitted within Greenwood city limits.

Stay safe and help prevent wildfires!

#### **Greenwood Municipal Pool Update**

At the June 10th Council meeting, Greenwood City Council unanimously approved a major rehabilitation project for the Greenwood Municipal Pool—securing its future for another 50 years of community enjoyment.

The decision followed an in-depth report presented by City staff, outlining the pool's deteriorating condition. Supported by assessments from a structural engineer and pool specialists, the report detailed a range of serious concerns, including extensive leaks, recurring health and safety issues, frequent shutdowns, and compromised structural integrity. It was clear: the pool had reached the end of its operational life.

However, there was good news. The report also identified a path forward—if immediate action was taken, the facility could be fully restored.

Council passed two key motions:

- 1. To fully rehabilitate the pool and all related underground infrastructure, and
- 2. To completely replace all above-ground infrastructure to meet current health and safety regulations.

Due to the scope of construction and the pool's current condition, the Greenwood Municipal Pool will not open for the 2025 summer season. However, the City is excited to announce that a grand re-opening of the newly renovated facility is planned for early summer 2026.

The total cost of the project is estimated at \$280,000, plus contingency funds. Importantly, this will not impact Greenwood taxpayers. City staff have secured 100% of the required funding through a combination of surplus funds and successful grant applications.

Construction is set to begin within the next month. Mayor and Council are proud to move this project forward, ensuring that future generations will continue to enjoy a safe, modern, and vibrant public pool right here in Greenwood.

#### 🌉 BEAR AWARE: Living Safely with Wildlife in Greenwood 🗞

As we enjoy the beauty of life in British Columbia, it's important to remember — we share our surroundings with wildlife, including bears.

Every year, bear activity increases in spring and summer as they search for easy food sources.

By staying Bear Aware, we can help keep both our community and our wildlife safe.

Here are a few simple ways to do your part:

- Secure garbage Store bins in a shed or garage until collection day. Never leave food waste outdoors.
- Pick ripe fruit If you have fruit trees, harvest promptly and clean up fallen fruit.
- Keep BBQs clean Scrub grills after each use and store them securely.
- Pet food & bird feeders Bring them in at night or avoid leaving them out during bear season.
- Compost responsibly Avoid putting meat, dairy, or oily foods in compost bins.

Remember: A fed bear is a dead bear. When bears become accustomed to human food, it often leads to conflict and, euthanasia.

Let's work together to protect the wildlife we love and the safety of our community.

For more information on being Bear Aware, visit: www.bearaware.bc.ca

#### **Water Conservation Matters!**

Did you know the average Canadian uses 329 litres of water per day? With a lower snowpack this year, it's up to all of us to help conserve this precious resource.

#### **Water-Saving Tips:**

- Water lawns early in the morning to reduce evaporation.
- Water slowly and avoid watering on windy days.
- Use a tuna can test—place an empty tuna can on your lawn; when it's full, you're done!
- Watch for leaky taps and hoses—a small drip can waste litres of water daily.
- Keep a jug of water in the fridge instead of running the tap.
- Turn off the garburator and compost instead to save water.
- Turn off the tap while brushing your teeth or shaving.
- Take shorter showers.
- Always wash full loads of laundry to maximize water efficiency.
   Let's work together to protect our water supply and make every drop count!

Hot days ahead! Keep an eye out for summer water regulations and restrictions!





#### ♠券 STOP! In the Name of Safety! ●●●●

There's a NEW 4-WAY STOP at the intersection of South Government Avenue and Deadwood Street in Greenwood!

At the February 10, 2025 Regular Council Meeting, Council approved the installation of this 4-way stop to enhance safety for all road users in this busy area of town.

Please approach with caution, make a full stop, and remember to follow right-of-way rules at all 4-way intersections. Your attention and cooperation help make Greenwood safer for everyone!



#### Friday Night Bingo

The Greenwood Community Association brings you BINGO on Friday nights! Located at 1355 Veterans Lane, Greenwood, BC.

- When: Every Friday
- 🖰 Doors Open: 5:00 PM

Who: Ages 19+
Bring your friends, test
your luck, and enjoy a funfilled evening with your
community.

# What is happening in July?

## Greenwood's 128<sup>th</sup> annual

## Founders Day

A one day event this year!

When: Saturday July 19, 2025

Tarade Starts at 11AM

Vendors Downtown, Food, Games and Music at the Ball Park

### Nikkei Zegacy Park

Grand Opening Event!

- 📅 When: Sunday July 20
- Tancake Breakfast 8:30am
- 🖰 Music & Dance 10:00am
- 🖰 Speeches 10:30am
- © Ribbon Cutting Garden Viewing 11:00am

Please bring an umbrella and folding chair



#### **Summer Reading Club**

The Greenwood Public Library 356 Copper Ave, Greenwood, BC.

- 📅 When: Tuesday's July 8 to August 19
- (a) Ages 6 to 8: 1pm 2:30pm

#### **Preschool Storytime**

The Greenwood Public Library 356 Copper Ave, Greenwood, BC.

- 📅 When: July 9 to August 20
- 🖰 Ages 3 to 5 with a parent or care giver

Do you want your event in our newsletter? Submit requests to reception@greenwoodcity.ca