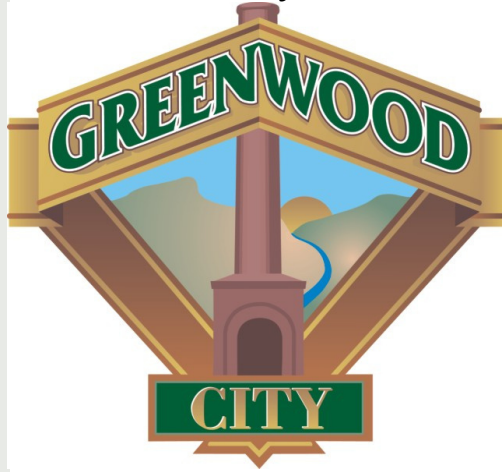


City of Greenwood

Quarterly Newsletter
January 2023



2023 Dog Licences

Discounted rates available until Jan. 31st. \$15 for spayed or neutered dogs or \$25 for unspayed or un-neutered dogs.

2023 Business Licences

\$40 annual fee for businesses operating in Greenwood. Invoices will be sent in late January and fees can be paid at City Hall.

A Message from Mayor Bolt

On behalf of Greenwood Council we wish a Happy New Year to everyone in the community. We are encountering some difficult times with high inflation and layoffs in our area. City Council will be doing our best to be fiscally responsible in these challenging times ahead. Despite these uncertain times, Greenwood's downtown core is undergoing a positive transformation with new and revitalized development. Mayor and Council look forward to additional positive change in 2023.

2023 First Quarter Utility Bills

Due March 31st. 2.5 % penalty for any late payments. You can pay by mail, drop box on front steps of City Hall, online bill payment from CIBC or Heritage Credit Union or E-transfer:

finance.greenwoodcity@shaw.ca. *Please include account number in memo section of E-Transfer.* If paying by Electronic Funds Transfer please ensure we receive payment 3 days before the due date to allow enough time for the transfer to reach our office and avoid any late penalties.

2023 water and sewer utility rates were set by Council in December, which includes a 5% increase over 2022 rates. Both the City water and sewer regulation bylaws include the following stipulation: "There shall be an annual inflation rate increase". At the time rates were set in December, annual inflation was sitting at 7.8%. For 2023, Council decided to override the regulation bylaws and implement a lower rate increase of 5%. The first quarter 2023 invoice included with this newsletter reflects this 5% increase.

BC Assessment & Appeal Process

Your BC Assessment Notice will be coming out this January showing the assessed value of your property as of July 1st of the previous year. If you have any concerns please contact BC Assessment by phone 1-(866)-825-8322 or visit their website at info.bcassessment.ca to get more information. Note that the deadline to file a Notice of Complaint (Appeal) with BC Assessment is January 31, 2023.

Upcoming Council Meetings:

- January 23rd at 7pm
- February 13th at 7pm
- February 27th at 7pm
- March 13th at 7pm
- March 27th at 7pm
- April 11th at 7pm
- April 24th at 7pm

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.

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Greenwood City Hall Hours of Operation:
Open Monday - Friday : 8:30 - 12, 1 - 4:30
Closed 12 - 1 pm for lunch
Closed Saturdays, Sundays & Statutory Holidays.



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Slippery Roads & Snow Clearing

Please be cautious of slippery and icy side roads and sidewalks around the city. The recent warming weather has created very slippery conditions.

New Public Washrooms

Greenwood is pleased to announce new public washrooms near the Greenwood Campground. The washrooms are planned to be installed in late Spring 2023.

New Bylaw Officer For Greenwood

Greenwood would like to give a warm welcome to Don Smythe who is the new Bylaw Officer for the City. If you have any questions or concerns regarding bylaw please call (778)-679-2068 or email bylaw@greenwoodcity.ca.

Greenwood Municipal Pool

We are looking for Headguards, Lifeguards, Swim Instructors, and Junior Lifeguards for the 2023 season (late June - end of August).

Interested? but don't have all the certifications? We are offering FREE or discounted training!!

Required Qualifications:

Headguard:

- Age 18 minimum.
- At least 2 years lifeguard experience .
- NL Certification (current).
- Standard First Aid + CPR-C (current).
- Swim for Life instructor Certification.

Lifeguard:

- NL Certification (current).
- Standard First Aid + CPR-C (current).

Swim Instructor:

- Bronze Cross Certification (current).
- Standard First Aid + CPR-C (current).
- Swim for Life instructor Certification.

Junior Lifeguard:

- Bronze Cross Certification (current).
- Standard First Aid + CPR-C (current).

Please send a copy of your resume and current certifications to pool@greenwoodcity@gmail.com

Fire Regulations & Information

Just a reminder to all residents to obtain a burn permit if you plan on doing any burning. Burn permits are issued at City Hall and are free of charge. We also encourage you to go to www.bcwildfire.ca for more information on what you can and can't burn, any size restrictions and weather advisories before you start burning. Please do your part to help keep our community clean and safe for many years to come.

Fire Department Callouts

For the period from June 1st to November 30th 2022, the Greenwood Volunteer Fire Department had a total of 2 calls for fires, 6 calls for wildfires, 14 calls for motor vehicle incidents, 23 calls for medical assistance, and 9 calls for "other issues" making the total Fire Department Callouts for the period: 54.

A Big Thank you on Behalf of Greenwood

Greenwood City Hall underwent some renovations this past summer & fall of 2022. The City of Greenwood was able to obtain a Heritage BC Grant for the project. The work included removal and replacement of the fire escape and concrete slab rehabilitation of the East side foundation wall and windows. The City would like to extend a big thank you to the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development. Their financial support has made this project possible as part of the Community Economic Resiliency Infrastructure Program (CERIP) - Unique Heritage Infrastructure Stream. Additionally we would like to recognize Smith Bros. & Wilson (B.C) Ltd. for completing these renovations and to acknowledge their role in constructing the Greenwood Courthouse building in 1902.



Picture Above: Greenwood City Hall undergoing the renovations during Summer/Fall 2022.