



VILLAGE OF SILVERTON

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL TO BE HELD

February 9, 2022

MEMORIAL HALL – 203 LAKE AVE. & ONLINE

7:00 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. THE VILLAGE OF SILVERTON ACKNOWLEDGES THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES ON WHOSE TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES WE STAND

C. ADDITION OF LATE ITEMS IF ANY

D. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

E. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

1. Minutes of Regular Council Meeting January 12, 2022
2. Minutes of Special Council Meeting January 26, 2022
3. Minutes of the COTW Council Meeting January 26, 2022

F. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS

1. Juliet Craig, Program Director for the Kootenay Conservation Program
RE: Local Conservation Fund Information

G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS/BUSINESS ARISING

1. Alternative Public Notice RE: Silverton 2022 By Election

Recommendation:

That the Village of Silverton Council considers the proposed public notice plan for the 2022 by-election to be reasonably equivalent to that which would be provided by newspaper publication if it were practicable.

2. Council Attending AKBLG

Recommendation:

That the following Village of Silverton Council members will be attending the 2022 AKBLG Conference in Nelson:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
5. Newly Elected in 2022 By Election

H. NEW BUSINESS

None at this time.

I. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

1. Silverton Community Club Update

Recommendation:

That the Village of Silverton Council approve the purchase of a plaque to recognize the Community Club for their contribution to be placed at the flag structure at Dewis Park.

2. District of Stewart RE: BC Wildfires Petition - Letter of Support
3. Girl Guides RE: February 22 Guiding Lights Across BC (blue lights in public places)

J. COUNCIL REPORTS

1. **Mayor Colin Ferguson**

- Recreation Commission No. 6

2. **Councillor Clarence denBok**

- Slovan Lake Arts Council Liaison
- Recreation Commission No. 6 Alternate

3. **Councillor Leah Main**

- RDCK Director for the Village of Silverton
- West Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital Board
- Rosebery Parklands and Trails Commission
- Winlaw Regional and Nature Park Commission
- Slovan Valley Economic Development Commission
- FCM Board
- CBBC Liaison
- RDI Climate Adaptation project Team
- Health Committee Alternate – Slovan District Chamber of Commerce
- Ktunaxa Kinbasket Treaty Advisory Committee (TAC) Alternate

4. **Councillor Arlene Yofonoff**

- Slovan District Chamber of Commerce
- Composting Project Liaison (Healthy Community Society of the North S.V.)
- RDI Climate Adaptation project Team, Alternate

K. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

1. CAO Report

L. BYLAWS AND POLICY

1. Water Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 527 – 2022

Recommendation:

That the Village of Silverton Council reconsider and finally adopt Water Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 527 – 2022 as presented.

2. Garbage Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 528 – 2022

Recommendation:

That Village of Silverton Council reconsider and finally adopt Garbage Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 528 – 2022 as presented.

M. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

Terms of reference as per the Procedure Bylaw includes:

- The maximum time allotted is two (2) minutes.
- The Public Input is for items on the Council Agenda only.
- The Public Input Period provides an opportunity for public input only, without expectation of response from Council.

N. **IN CAMERA MEETING:** there will be an In-Camera Meeting at this time. This meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with Sections 90 – 1 (c) employee relations.

The Regular Meeting recessed at _____pm in order to conduct the Closed Meeting.

The Regular Meeting reconvened at _____pm

O. ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD FROM IN CAMERA

P. ADJOURNMENT

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT
MEMORIAL HALL & ONLINE, WEDNESDAY JANUARY 12, 2022 AT
7:00PM**

PRESENT: Mayor C. Ferguson, Councillors C. denBok, L. Main, A. Yofonoff

ABSENT:

STAFF: H. Elliott, Chief Administrative Officer

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Colin Ferguson Called the Meeting to Order at 7:01 pm.

**B. THE VILLAGE OF SILVERTON ACKNOWLEDGES THE INDIGENOUS
PEOPLES ON WHOSE TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES WE STAND**

C. ADDITION OF LATE ITEMS IF ANY

D. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

001/2022 - Moved, seconded that the Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

E. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

002/2022 – Moved, seconded That the Regular Council Meeting Minutes
December 8, 2021 be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

JANUARY 12, 2022 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

F. DELEGATIONS AND PETITIONS

Cpl. Thomas Gill presented on the Slocan Lake Detachment Quarterly report, highlighting some data specific to Silverton.

Chris Johnson , Manager of Community Sustainability presented information regarding Emergency Management and how it pertains to Silverton as being part of the RDCK Emergency Management service.

G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS/BUSINESS ARISING

G1. WILDSAFE PROGRAM RE: CONTINUING PARTICIPATION AND FUNDING REQUEST

003/2022 – Moved, seconded That the Village of Silverton Council participate in the WildSafe Program 2022; AND

FURTHER that the Village of Silverton Council approves a contribution of \$1,000 for their portion of the joint WildSafe program for 2022; AND

FURTUER that the Village of Silverton provide some In-Kind office support with photocopying/printing/laminating or other administrative/office support when possible.

CARRIED

H. NEW BUSINESS

H1. SLSS LETTER TO HONOURABLE KATRINE CONROY

004/2022 – Moved, seconded That the Village of Silverton Council request the Slocan Lake Stewardship Society appear as a delegation to present information regarding the letter written to Honourable Katrine Conroy RE: logging in the Silverton Creek Watershed.

CARRIED

JANUARY 12, 2022 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

I. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION

Received for information.

J. COUNCIL REPORTS

Received for information.

K. ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

None at this time.

L. BYLAWS AND POLICY

L1. GRANT IN AID POLICY A – 5 2022

005/2022 – Moved, seconded That the Village of Silverton Council adopt Policy No. A - 5 2022 as presented.

CARRIED

L2. INTER-COMMUNITY BUSINESS LICENCE BYLAW NO. 526 – 2022

006/2022 – Moved, seconded That Village of Silverton Council reconsider and finally adopt Inter-Community Business Licence Bylaw No. 526 – 2022.

CARRIED

JANUARY 12, 2022 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

M. PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

Press requested clarification regarding the resolution passed by Council under Item H1. Councillor Main stated they passed the second resolution as presented.

Judith Maltz inquired if council had the report completed by Richard Johnson regarding the aquifer for the Silverton watershed. Mayor Ferguson confirmed that council did have the document.

Jesse Mengler inquired about the Silverton Watershed Policy and stated he did not agree with the direction that the Village seemed to be going with economic development in the Silverton watershed.

June McMillan spoke to concerns with preventing economic development in the Silverton Watershed.

Tanya Gordon spoke in favour of council not passing the motion to support the SLSS letter in Item H1, and spoke to council hearing all perspectives/stakeholders regarding the Silverton Watershed and hoped that council would have a community meeting with all the stakeholders.

Don Broughton requested council have open meetings with the public.

N. IN CAMERA MEETING:

The Regular Meeting recessed at 8:31 pm in order to conduct the Closed Meeting.

The Regular Meeting reconvened at 8:54 pm.

O. ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD FROM IN CAMERA

1. That Silverton Council will contract 3 Birds to redesign the Village website.
2. That Silverton Council approves an increase of 3% for the cost of living based on CPI starting January 1, 2022.

JANUARY 12, 2022 MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

P. ADJOURNMENT

007/2022 – Moved that Council adjourn at 8:54pm.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Mayor C. Ferguson

Chief Administrative Officer

**MINUTES OF THE *SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING* HELD AT
MEMORIAL HALL ON WEDNESDAY JANUARY 26, 2022 AT 7:00PM**

PRESENT: Mayor C. Ferguson, Councillors C. denBok, A. Yofonoff

ABSENT: Councillor L. Main

STAFF: H. Elliott, Chief Administrative Officer

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Colin Ferguson Called the Meeting to Order at 7:06 pm.

**B. THE VILLAGE OF SILVERTON ACKNOWLEDGES THE INDIGENOUS
PEOPLES ON WHOSE TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES WE STAND**

C. ADDITION OF LATE ITEMS IF ANY

None at this time.

D. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

008/2022 - Moved, seconded that the Agenda be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS/BUSINESS ARISING

E1. SILVERTON 2022 ELECTION OFFICER APPOINTMENTS

009/2022 - Moved, seconded Silverton hereby appoints Catherine Allaway as the Chief Election Officer for the Purpose of the Silverton 2022 Municipal By Election.

CARRIED

JANUARY 26, 2022 MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

010/2022 - Moved, seconded Pursuant to Section 58 of the Local Government Act, Council of the Village of Silverton hereby appoints Hillary Elliott as the Deputy Chief Election Officer for the Purpose of the Silverton 2022 Municipal By Election.

CARRIED

E2. WATER RATES AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 527 – 2022

011/2022 - Moved, seconded That Village of Silverton Council give Water Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 527 – 2022 First Reading.

CARRIED

012/2022 - Moved, seconded That Village of Silverton Council give Water Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 527 – 2022 Second Reading.

CARRIED

013/2022 - Moved, seconded That Village of Silverton Council give Water Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 527 – 2022 Third Reading.

CARRIED

E2. GARBAGE RATES AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 528 – 2022

014/2022 - Moved, seconded That Village of Silverton Council give Garbage Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 528 – 2022 First Reading.

CARRIED

015/2022 - Moved, seconded That Village of Silverton Council give Garbage Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 528 – 2022 Second Reading.

CARRIED

016/2022 - Moved, seconded That Village of Silverton Council give Garbage Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 528 – 2022 Third Reading.

CARRIED

JANUARY 26, 2022 MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

F. ADJOURNMENT

01/27/2022 – Moved that Council adjourn at 7:11pm.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Mayor C. Ferguson

Chief Administrative Officer

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ONLINE ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2022 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE SPECIAL MEETING AT 7PM

PRESENT: Mayor C. Ferguson, Councillors C. denBok, T. Gordon, L. Main, A. Yofonoff

ABSENT:

STAFF: H. Elliott, Chief Administrative Officer

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ferguson called the meeting to order at 7:07pm.

B. THE VILLAGE OF SILVERTON ACKNOWLEDGES THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES ON WHOSE TRADITIONAL TERRITORIES WE STAND

C. ADDITION OF LATE ITEMS IF ANY

None at this time.

D. DELEGATION

None at this time.

E. DISCUSSION

E1. SILVERTON WATERSHED DEBRIEF

Written document read out loud at the meeting is attached.

JANUARY 26, 2022 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

E2. ELECTRONIC ATTENDANCE FOR COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council provided some direction to staff to create a section for electronic attendance at meetings.

E3. COUNCIL PRIORITIES 2018-2022, COUNCIL PRIORITIES 2022 & ON-GOING PROJECTS

Council discussion.

E4. BUDGET DISCUSSION FOR 2022

Council discussion with all projects listed included, as well as a quote for all roads currently in the asset management plan coded "red" as the highest priority.

F. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Mayor C. Ferguson

Chief Administrative Officer

With a potentially large freshet this year and upcoming discussions with both Interfor and SLSS about logging and issues germane to that, it seems timely to have ongoing discussions around Silverton Creek, the Silverton Creek Watershed and the Silverton Aquifer, including their varied importance to the Village.

We have in our files numerous reports on the Creek, the watershed and the aquifer; and we have a long history of working with various groups, agencies and companies that have interest in them, and we wish to continue our relationship with them all.

In 2017 we organized and hosted a one day multi-stakeholder workshop around creek and watershed education attended by Interfor, SifCo, RDCK Staff, Slocan & New Denver Council members, numerous forestry, environmental engineering, wildlife biology and other practitioners – as well as Village Staff and Council members, and representatives from both SLSS and Slocan River Streamkeepers – moderated by Natasha Overduin from the Polis Water Sustainability Project at the University of Victoria.

What this workshop showed us is that the Creek, the watershed, the Aquifer and the lake all work together – not separately - and that our decisions around managing these pieces of infrastructure on behalf of the Village can't be done just on a piecemeal basis, as if one thing didn't affect the others. It also showed us that the various agencies and stakeholders CAN come together to share information and points of view.

While our overarching responsibility as “purveyors of water” is to protect the water source, there are also many other important interests in the watershed and its component parts – including recreation, wildcrafting, flood protection, a recreational fishery, wildfire protection, and economic/employment (timber harvesting) – which are impacted by any decisions we make. Not to mention that we are governed by both federal and provincial regulations and decisions that come to us from the top down, and that consultation and engagement with First Nations is now a requirement for many land use approvals outside of Village boundaries.

So it's not easy or straightforward to respond to any of the pressure points. I think we have a lot of learning to do, and it won't all happen overnight.

As we touched on at our last meeting, I think we do need to start talking with the various players and stakeholders, sometimes individually and sometimes in larger groups – there is no one-time event that can solve all the competing interests.

We already are engaging with both Interfor and SLSS. I suggest that we need to invite SIFCo to present to Council again, as we have two members who were not present last time SIFCo came to us – their mapping and landscape level planning documents are invaluable for understanding the cycles and interrelationships at play around us. Once we have had meetings with “the big three”, I think we can look at hosting a more comprehensive session, that will help all of us in moving forward.



December 6, 2021

Mayor and Council
Village of Silverton

Dear Mayor and Council:

As you are aware, the Kootenay Conservation Program (KCP) has worked with the RDEK and the RDCK to establish the Columbia Valley Local Conservation Fund (2008) and Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund (2014) respectively. These have proven to be successful local government services that collect a tax-based revenue dedicated to supporting local conservation projects.

Last year, KCP provided a delegation to the Village of Silverton in order to share the results of a 2018 market research survey. This polling indicated that 66% of Slokan Valley residents were in favour of establishing a Local Conservation Fund service in the Slokan Valley. Expanding the existing Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund service to the Slokan Valley would not only provide the opportunity to support local conservation values but also creates the ability to leverage considerable additional financial support for conservation related projects. Fish and wildlife, their habitats, clean water and clean air, and climate change resilience are values that are important to Slokan Valley communities.

Director Popoff with RDCK Electoral Area H has indicated his interest in going to referendum in October 2022 to ask residents if they would like to establish this service. We encourage the Villages of Slokan, New Denver and Silverton to consider joining this opportunity.

KCP would like to request a delegation to your Mayor and Council in which we can share additional details regarding the existing structure and potential next steps for establishing a Local Conservation Fund service in the Slokan Valley.

If you have any questions or would like any further information, please feel free to contact me by email at juliet@kootenayconservation.ca or by telephone at (250) 352-2260.

Sincerely,

Juliet Craig
Program Director, Kootenay Conservation Program

cc. Village of Silverton Office

Local Conservation Funds in the Kootenays: Frequently Asked Questions

Summary, November 2021

What is a Local Conservation Fund (LCF)?

A Local Conservation Fund is a local government service that is funded through a dedicated tax and used to support environmental conservation and community sustainability projects.

- The Columbia Valley Local Conservation Fund (CVLCF) was the first of its kind in Canada. It was established in Areas F and G as well as the municipalities of Canal Flats, Invermere and Radium as an RDEK Service in 2008. Residents pay \$20 per parcel per year towards a dedicated conservation fund.
- The Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund (KLLCF) was established in Electoral Areas A, D and E as a RDCK Service in 2014. Residents pay \$15 per parcel per year towards conservation.
- These Funds support conservation of fish, wildlife, habitat, water, and open spaces.

What are benefits of Local Conservation Funds?

LCFs fund projects that support the health of natural ecosystems and wild spaces, which in turn support healthy communities.

- LCFs are a way for communities to address local conservation issues that residents know are important and to invest in local conservation for future generations.
- LCF projects support clean air, safe water, habitat for fish and wildlife, natural areas, and healthy watersheds.
- A healthy, prosperous community relies on a healthy local environment, which a LCF directly supports.

Are there economic benefits?

For every dollar acquired by tax, LCFs leverage at least 3:1 additional dollars that support local communities.

- Broader granting agencies look more favourably on projects with a local funding contribution.
- For example, from 2010 to 2020, the \$2.45 million raised and distributed by the Columbia Valley Local Conservation Fund has helped leverage an additional \$21.7 million for the approved projects, including land acquisition. In other words, each \$20 parcel tax paid by taxpayers has attracted an additional \$177 into the local community, almost nine times the original investment.
- From 2016 to 2020, the \$397,000 raised and distributed by the Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund has helped leverage an additional \$1.1 million, not including a large conservation land acquisition which, if included, raises the leveraged funding to \$19 million.
- Funds are spent locally, which creates added economic benefit through the purchase of materials/supplies, and work for a broad range of contractors/businesses.

- People who work for local environmental non-profits also buy groceries, raise their families, and pay taxes in the community.
- Projects that receive LCF projects have successfully attracted a wide range of other funding partners based on this initial investment including regional funders, federal and provincial government, utility companies, businesses, foundations, non-profit societies and land trusts.

Have LCFs in the Kootenays been successful?

LCFs have been established in the East and West Kootenays and Okanagan and continue to spread.

- Local Conservation Funds in the Kootenays have supported over 120 local conservation projects.
- The Regional District of Okanagan Similkameen established a Local Conservation Fund in 2016 based on the Columbia Valley and Kootenay Lake examples.
- The Regional District of North Okanagan established a Local Conservation Fund in 2019.
- In 2020, the request for funding from the Kootenay Lake Local Conservation Fund was more than twice what was available, demonstrating the need for this local government service.

What types of projects do LCFs fund?

LCFs are dedicated to conservation and ensure there is funding with which to address local priority issues. Residents see tangible results at the local level including:

- Monitoring local water quality
- Functioning wetlands, creeks, and grasslands that improve water quality
- Improved local fish and wildlife habitat and species at risk conservation
- Funding for local farmers to manage natural assets on their lands
- Fewer invasive plants and improved forage for ungulates
- Citizen-science wildlife population monitoring
- Creation of wildflower meadows to promote pollinators
- Reduction in human-wildlife conflict and protection of grizzly bears
- Economic opportunities for jobs, contracts, materials and supplies
- Land acquisition of ecologically significant properties

How are projects chosen?

LCF project proposals are reviewed by an independent, volunteer panel of technical experts before being decided on by local elected officials.

- The Technical Review Committee is made up of local experts (e.g., biologists, professors, foresters, etc.) who review and rank proposals according to pre-determined technical criteria and make recommendations on the perceived effectiveness of proposed projects.
- Based on Technical Review Committee recommendations, elected officials ultimately decide which projects receive funding and for how much in any given year.

KCP Contact Information

- Juliet Craig, Program Director, Kootenay Conservation Program
- juliet@kootenayconservation.ca; 250-352-2260
- For more information see: <https://kootenayconservation.ca/conservation-funds/>





REQUEST FOR COUNCIL DECISION

PREPARED BY: Catherine Allaway, Chief Election Officer

DATE: February 2, 2022

SUBJECT: Alternative Public Notice – 2022 By-Election

PURPOSE: To seek Council approval of the proposed election advertising schedule

OPTIONS:

Recommendation is indicated in **bold**. Implications are in *italics*.

1. **Approve the proposed advertising schedule. *The April 9th by-election will proceed.***
2. Do not approve the proposed advertising schedule. *The by-election will need to be postponed.*
3. Refer back to staff for further review and report. *The by-election will need to be postponed.*

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Village of Silverton Council considers the proposed public notice plan for the 2022 by-election to be reasonably equivalent to that which would be provided by newspaper publication if it were practicable.

ANALYSIS:

- A. **Background:** A by-election to fill the vacant Councillor position has been scheduled for April 9, 2022. The positions of Chief Election Officer and Deputy Election Officer were appointed by Council on January 26, 2022. As part of the election process, public notice is required to be given in accordance with s.94 of the *Community Charter [Requirements for public notice]*.
- B. **Discussion:** Because there is not a local newspaper that publishes at least weekly it is not possible to meet the statutory requirements for newspaper publication that are outlined in the *Community Charter*. However, the legislation does give Councils the option of providing public notice by alternative means where newspaper publication is not practicable. A Council resolution approving the alternative notice scheme is recommended.

Individual distribution is an alternative approach identified in the legislation and can be achieved through a Canada Post Mail Drop, which places the notice in each residential and business mailbox within the municipality. Because the notices are issued by the municipality, they reach all residents, including those that have asked to not receive junk mail.

In order to satisfy the legislative requirements, the following plan for public notice is proposed:

Subject Matter	First Notice	Second Notice
Notice of End of Advance Voter Registration Period	Canada Post Mail Drop February 3 rd	February 10 th Valley Voice
Notice of Nomination Period	Canada Post Mail Drop February 3 rd	February 10 th Valley Voice

Notice of Advance Voting	Canada Post Mail Drop March 1 st	March 10 th Valley Voice
Notice of General Voting	March 10 th Valley Voice	March 24 th Valley Voice

The proposed plan gives notice within the same time period and with the same frequency as required by legislation. Using a mix of modalities will help to ensure that all residents and eligible electors are aware of the opportunities to participate in the election and exercise their democratic choice. In order to further maximize reach, notices will also be posted at the Village Office, on the Community Bulletin Board and on the Village's website.

C. **Attachments:** Nil

D. **Financial Implications:** The costs associated with the proposed plan for public notice fall within the amounts budgeted for the 2022 by-election.

Hillary Elliott

From: AKBLG Admin Coordinator <admin@akblg.ca>
Sent: January 20, 2022 12:20 PM
To: admin@akblg.ca
Cc: 'Andrea Tubbs'
Subject: 2022 AKBLG Convention in Nelson

Hello AKBLG Members:

Happy New Year! As 2022 came in, the Convention Committee got to work finalizing details for the AKBLG Convention and AGM to be held **in-person in Nelson on April 22-24th, 2022**. The theme for this year’s Convention is **Future Ready!**

The first order of business was assessing the current state of the pandemic and determining whether to move forward with plans for an in person event. After very careful consideration, the Convention Committee concluded that it was prudent to continue to move forward. The Convention will be planned in conformance with any/all health orders in place at the time and **registration will be limited to the number of people permitted in the Convention facility under the current provincial health orders**. Should these orders be lifted prior to the convention, maximum registration may be increased. Great detail is being taken by the Convention Coordinator and the Convention Committee during planning to ensure all health protocols are adhered to.

More details regarding the programming, speakers and keynotes will be coming forward in the next while. A great lineup of speakers is currently being confirmed.

Registration will open in mid-March. A notice will come out when registration (through CivicInfo) is open.

You may want to book hotel rooms prior to registration opening. The Convention and AGM will be held at the **Prestige Lakeside Resort** (701 Lakeside Drive, Nelson).

Discounted room rates have been negotiated at hotels in Nelson and they should be contacted directly for more information and booking. Please inform them that you are attending the AKBLG Convention when you call. The hotels are listed in no particular order.

1. The Prestige Lakeside Resort (on site) can be contacted at 250-352-7222. Quote AKBLG for the discount code/rate plan.

Standard City View Room	\$119.00 + tax
Standard Lake View Room	\$139.00 + tax
Executive City View Room	\$129.00 + tax
Executive Lake View Room	\$149.00 + tax
Designer Suite	\$239.00 + tax

2. The Prestige Inn – Nelson can be reached at 250-352-3595. It is located at 1301 Front Street in Nelson.

Standard 1 Queen or 1 King	\$99.00 + tax
Standard 2 Queens	\$112.00 + tax
Standard 1 Queen or King Kitchenette	\$122.00 + tax
Executive or Family	\$122.00 + tax

3. The Hume Hotel can be reached at 1-877-568-0888 (250-352-5331). It is located at 422 Vernon Street. This hotel includes a complimentary breakfast.

Deluxe 2 Queen or 1 King	-\$179.99 + tax
Deluxe 1 Queen	-\$170.99 + tax

Heritage 2 Queen or 1 King - \$170.99 + tax

Heritage 1 Queen - \$162 + tax

4. The Best Western Plus Baker Street Inn can be reached at 250-352-3525. It is located at 153 Baker Street in Nelson.

2 Queen or 1 King - \$180 + tax

1 Queen - \$162 + tax

5. The Adventure Hotel can be reached at 250-352-7211. They are located at 616 Vernon Street, Nelson.

Deluxe rooms \$119.20 + tax

Economy rooms \$103.20 + tax

Please contact me if you have any questions at all (admin@akblg.ca).

We will send program information out as soon as it is available!

Linda

Linda Tynan
AKBLG Administrative Coordinator



January 19, 2022

To the Mayor and Council, Village of Silverton.

The Silverton Community Club (SCC) held its A.G.M. on November 30th, 2021 and elected Gary Willman (Chair) , Shelley Pentland (Vice Chair), Cheryl Hammond (Treasurer), Linda Laktin (Secretary), and Mike Kent, Andrea Tyreman and Helen Buchanan as directors at large.

Items discussed during the meeting included a proposal for the Community Club to assume responsibility for a new Community Bulletin Board, generously provided and to be installed by Silverton Building Supplies.

The club also discussed the annual Canada Day Celebrations and will make a final decision at the April meeting.

In 2021, SCC donated \$1500 to the Canadian Red Cross in support of the Lytton Fire relief fund, along with our annual donation of \$600 to Christmas Sharing and \$700 to the Slocan Community Health Care Auxiliary.

Further discussion took place concerning the plaque (recognizing the contribution by the Silverton Community Club) which was to be installed on the flag structure at Dewis Park in 2019. At that time, SCC purchased the plaque and gave it to the Village Administration. Since then, the plaque has gone missing. SCC respectfully requests that The Village purchases and installs a replacement. Please contact me upon completion, or if you need more information.

The Silverton Community Club remains active in our community and looks forward to working with The Village of Silverton on future shared projects.

Respectfully yours,

Gary Willman,

SCC President

250-358-2129



DISTRICT OF STEWART

Office of the Mayor

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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

Hillary Elliott

From: BC PR & Communications Adviser <bc-prcomm@girlguides.ca>
Sent: January 31, 2022 2:51 AM
To: administration
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
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I respectfully acknowledge that I live and work within the ancestral, traditional, and unceded territory of the Songhees, Esquimalt, and WSÁNEĆ Nations.



Everything she wants to be.

Administrative Report: Hillary Elliott, CAO

Village of Silverton Council

Regular Meeting – February 9, 2022

This administrative report covers the period January 4, 2022 – February 3, 2022 as to the activities, functions, and meetings I have attended in my capacity as Chief Administrative Officer and Corporate Officer for the Village of Silverton.

This month the CAO continued to be very busy with calls and research with other agencies regarding COVID 19; most pertinently regarding the **new information regarding re-opening and its impacts on the Village operations/revenues, user groups, and facilities. As well as keeping informed regarding the variant and possible impacts to Village operations and functions.**

DUE TO THE CONSTANT CHANGES, COVID 19 continues to impact all aspects of the Village and continues to add to the staff workload to keep up with current regulations and requirements. This has been extensive with changing rules and the requests for rentals, cancellations, and the differing rules for different events being conducted.

Silverton By Election General Voting Day, April 9, 2022.

The first advertisement for the election is on the Village website and bulletin boards, and is in the edition of the Valley Voice being published this week. For more information, please refer to this advertisement.

Financial Operations/Capital Projects:

Staff are winding down the 2021 year and preparing for year-end and compiling all the data required for the annual financial audit.

Staff have started preparations for the 2022 budget and the Garbage and Water Rates should be completed at this meeting. Then staff will be reviewing and creating the Utility bills for 2022 to be mailed before the end of March 2022.

Functions:

The CAO has not had the time this past month to continue with the complex and onerous set up for the Village of Silverton as a payee option at most Financial Institutions.

The CAO is busy following up regarding budget discussions and council direction at the January 26th COTW meeting.

The CAO is looking at options for electronic attendance wording in the Council Procedural Bylaw.

The CAO created and prepared 4 agendas for council meetings in January 2022.

Projects:*Footbridge*

Staff have inquired with our Liability insurance provider, MIA, and have booked an on-site assessment for April 2022. Staff have managed to secure funding for this assessment; however, final costs and funding are still being calculated. Staff will be requesting alternative options for safety requirements that do not require the replacement of the railing, as requested by Councillor denBok and supported by council at the last COTW meeting.

Bylaw Officer Update

Staff continue to work on this initiative collaboratively with New Denver and Slocan. After 2022 budget discussions with the 3 Villages, staff will continue according to the budget decisions, council priorities, and staff time.

Asset Management Phase 3 and Climate Adaptation Initiatives:

Staff continue to move this file forward as time permits. We currently are working on the Village fleet to be added to the QGIS program.

Fire Resiliency 2020-2021 for Silverton, Slocan, and New Denver in Partnership with SIFCo

Great work Tri-Villages and SIFCO as we continue the great showcase work!!!
A garden is to be created on the south side of the Fire Hall that will be maintained by the Fire Department... coming soon! (Dependent on how long the winter lasts!)

Village Office Upgrades/Renovations

This will be part of 2022 budget discussions.

Urban Forest/Tree Management Project

Work scheduled for May of 2022.

Wayfinding Project

This a fully funded project in partnership with the Province through the Rural Development Division and staff person Richard Toperzcer.

Staff continue with phases 2 and 3 as time allows.

Lakeside Campground Living Quarters

This fully funded project in partnership with Kootenay Rockies Tourism in conjunction with Destination BC and with the Villages of Slocan and New Denver and has begun with plans for completion before the campground is opened to the public in May, 2022.

Public Works:

Have continued to meet and worked with several of our project partners to complete the Council initiatives for Fire Resiliency, ICABCCI, RDI Climate Adaptation (final report completed this week), Asset Management, and contractors for project timelines, plans and completion of 2021 capital projects and to compile all the different information to meet with stakeholders, contractors and professionals required for the various works.

Staff have been busy with work on:

- Carrying out the 2022 budget requests of Council from the January 26 COTW meeting
- Working with CBBC regarding infrastructure in the Village and on Village property for internet backbone services
- Compiling quotes and data for all roads in the asset management plan marked for highest priority, as requested by Councillor Yofonoff and supported by Council at the January 26 COTW meeting
- Water capital project on-going, engineer staff are creating the required documents for the pipe replacement above the creek
- Following up on numerous community needs and requests
- Staff training continues

Staff continue to be very busy regarding COVID 19, how it affects the present Village operations and future measures to put in place to mitigate risks to operations for the “re-opening”. **This is on-going and continuing to change.**

CAO Meetings:

Meeting with Provincial and Municipal staff

Much correspondence and inquiry regarding land use, building requirements, and properties in Silverton.

Weekly meetings with Mayor Ferguson.

Meetings regarding council initiatives.

Calls regarding contracts and communications with stakeholders and Village projects.

Met with staff regularly.

CAO Training/Courses:

None at this time.

Hillary Elliott, CAO

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SILVERTON

BYLAW NO. 527 – 2022

SCHEDULE A

WATER RATES AMENDMENT BYLAW

WHEREAS Council may regulate, prohibit and impose requirements with respect to municipal services;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Village of Silverton has established a water supply and distribution system as a municipal utility;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Village of Silverton has adopted BYLAW No. 479 – 2012 and subsequent Amendment BYLAW No. 523 – 2021 for that purpose and deems it necessary to amend Schedule “A”, the fees and charges rates;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Village of Silverton, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

TITLE

1. This Bylaw may be cited as “**VILLAGE OF SILVERTON WATER RATES AND REGULATIONS AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 527 - 2022**”.

WATER RATES

2. Schedule “A”, Fees and Charges is hereby replaced as follows:

Single Residence	\$	567.00 annual rate
Apartment, each unit	\$	567.00 annual rate
Bed and Breakfast, each room	\$	70.00 annual rate
Hotel, Motel, Each Cabin rental unit:	\$	567.00 annual rate
In addition each room/unit	\$	70.00 annual rate
Restaurant, Coffee Shop	\$	870.00 annual rate
Commercial Business	\$	684.00 annual rate

OTHER CHARGES

3. Service Connection Charge \$ 1,200.00

ENACTMENT

4. (a) Any enactment referred to herein is a reference to an enactment of British Columbia and its regulations thereto, as amended, revised, consolidated or replaced from time to time;
- (b) If any part, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase or word of this Bylaw is, for any reason, held to be invalid by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalid portion shall be severed and the part that is invalid shall not affect the validity of the remainder.
- (c) This Bylaw shall come into full force and effect on _____, 2022.

READ A FIRST TIME THIS 26th DAY OF JANUARY, 2022.

READ A SECOND TIME THIS 26th DAY OF JANUARY, 2022.

READ A THIRD TIME THIS 26th DAY OF JANUARY, 2022.

RECONSIDERED AND ADOPTED THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2022.

Mayor Ferguson

Chief Administrative Officer

Certified a true copy of the "Water Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 527 – 2022"

Chief Administrative Officer

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SILVERTON

BYLAW NO. 528 – 2022

SCHEDULE A

GARBAGE RATES AMENDMENT BYLAW

WHEREAS Council may regulate, prohibit and impose requirements with respect to municipal services;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Village of Silverton has established a garbage collection service as a municipal utility;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Village of Silverton has adopted BYLAW No. 433 – 2005 and subsequent Amendment BYLAW No. 522 – 2021 for that purpose and deems it necessary to amend Schedule “A”, the fees and charges rates;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Village of Silverton, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

TITLE

- 1. This Bylaw may be cited as “**VILLAGE OF SILVERTON GARBAGE RATES AND REGULATIONS AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 528 - 2022**”.

GARBAGE RATES

- 2. Schedule “A”, Fees and Charges is hereby replaced as follows:

Single Residence/Apartment	\$	155.00	annual rate
Hotel, Motel, Per Cabin rental unit	\$	320.00	annual rate
Restaurant, Coffee Shop	\$	320.00	annual rate
Commercial Business	\$	320.00	annual rate
Institutional	\$	320.00	annual rate

ENACTMENT

- 3. (a) Any enactment referred to herein is a reference to an enactment of British Columbia and its regulations thereto, as amended, revised, consolidated or replaced from time to time;

- (b) If any part, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase or word of this Bylaw is, for any reason, held to be invalid by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, the invalid portion shall be severed and the part that is invalid shall not affect the validity of the remainder.
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READ A THIRD TIME THIS 26th DAY OF JANUARY, 2022.

RECONSIDERED AND ADOPTED THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2022.

Mayor Ferguson

Chief Administrative Officer

Certified a true copy of the "Garbage Rates Amendment Bylaw No. 528 – 2022"

Chief Administrative Officer