



SEPTEMBER Project Updates:

- 1. **Lift Station** - Kiosk wrap is complete. Deficiencies list being worked on, which includes generator, pumps and landscaping.
- 2. **North Ashcroft Drainage Study**—Council met with Ministry staff of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure at UBCM to discuss run off mitigation along Hwy 97C. A meeting and site visit has been scheduled for October 19th
- 3. **Water to AIB** - Staff recently met with AIB and discussions remain ongoing.
- 4. **Hot Tub** - Construction is nearing completion. Concrete base is complete, working on piping and pump installations and back filling. Tiling will begin in the spring of 2023.
- 5. **Fire Hall #2** - Construction is underway, anticipated completion is spring 2023.
- 6. **Economic Development & Tourism** - Continuing to work on a fall video promotion and highway signage directing travelers to Ashcroft from Highway 1.
- 7. **Heritage Park / Community Garden / Tree Assessment** - Project complete. Gardeners have had a successful season aside from an infestation of potato bugs. Gardeners please have your garden cleaned out by October 31st.
- 8. **Trail Master Plan** - Council members met with the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resources at UBCM to discuss crown land trail usage. Council will discuss if any changes are required to the plan prior to plan adoption.
- 9. **Emergency Plan Update** - Project complete.

Village of Ashcroft

Mayor and Council:

Mayor:

Barbara Roden

Councillors:

Marilyn Anderson

Jonah Anstett

Nadine Davenport

Deb Tuohey



COUNCIL SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS:

UBCM Conference:

September only had one scheduled Council meeting as Council attended the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) Annual Convention on September 11-16, 2022. This is the first convention held in person since 2019. The convention provided an opportunity for Council to lobby on Ashcroft’s behalf with Ministers, attend sessions that addressed relevant issues in Ashcroft and provided an opportunity to network and learn from peers across the Province.

Council has three scheduled Minister meetings to address items such as storm drainage on Hwy 97C, access to crown land for existing and future trails, first responder crisis and BC Ambulance staffing issues. Regrettably Council was not able to meet with the Chief Forester to discuss a community forest or with Minister Adrian Dix to continue the discussion in regards to rural health care; however, follow up letters and information were forwarded to the appropriate Ministries. Council worked hard at representing Ashcroft at UBCM advocating for the needs of our residents.

- ⇒ Council approved the Ashcroft & Area Community Resource Society Grant in Aid request for \$500 for 2022 Christmas Hampers
- ⇒ Council approved WRAPS’ extension request to postpone their 2022 production to 2023 with the understanding that WRAPS will not apply for a Grant in Aid during the 2023 intake
- ⇒ Council directed staff to write a general letter of support that the HUB can include in upcoming Grant applications
- ⇒ Council approved the construction of a sidewalk at 124 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Street with two driveway access points one single and one double drop down to provide vehicle access in the spring of 2023 or as public works’ schedule allows; and that Mr. Van Beers be notified in writing
- ⇒ Council gave third reading to Bylaw No. 856, Village of Ashcroft Council Procedure Amendment Bylaw, 2022.

ELECTION DAY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15TH  
8:00 AM—8:00 PM

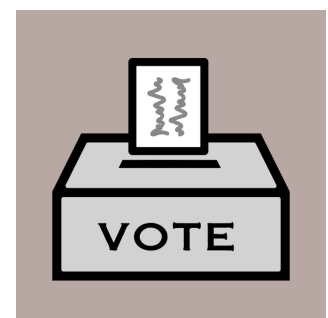
Ashcroft residents and non-resident property electors will be going to the polls to elect four (4) Councillors to join Mayor-Elect Barbara Roden for Ashcroft Council.

Candidates for Councillor are:

- Jonah ANSTETT
- Jessica CLEMENT
- Nadine DAVENPORT
- Joris EKERING
- Doreen LAMBERT

Voting will take place at the Ashcroft Community Hall @ 409 Bancroft Street

Mail Ballots for voting are available for pick up at the Village Office until 4PM Wednesday October 13, 2022.



## Dryland's Arena

Public Skating and Sticks & Pucks is back for the season. The arena is open October 1st 2022 until March 5, 2023. Public Skating will be held on the following days:

Wednesdays 3:30PM - 4.45PM

Fridays 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

Saturdays & Sundays 3:30 PM – 5:00 PM

The above is in effect, except during special events. Season passes are available at the arena for purchase. It is MANDATORY for Children 16 & under to wear helmets during Public Skating. Sticks & Pucks will be Saturdays from 5:30PM - 7:30PM. All participants under 16 MUST have an adult sign the sign in sheet and liability waiver. All participants under 18 MUST wear helmets with full face shield and gloves, it is recommended that full protective gear be worn to avoid injury.

## FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

October 9 to 15, 2022

We would like to thank Ashcroft Fire Rescue for their commitment to keeping Ashcroft safe!



## 2022 Events & Meetings

October 11th - 6:00 pm

Inaugural Council Meeting  
NOVEMBER 1, 2022—6 pm

### Council Meetings:

Meetings are Livestreamed on the HUB Online Network & open for public attendance.

Arena— Open

Museum - Closed

Legacy Park - Closed

## Ahead of Winter Season - Boulevard Parking / Snow Removal Reminder

Sadly summer is over and we are in the midst of a beautiful fall. Given the lower temperatures knocking on our door, we want to remind residents about Boulevard parking and snow removal on walkways.

As per Bylaw No. 753 Division II - General Regulations

8. Snow Removal – It shall be unlawful for any person to permit accumulation of snow or ice to remain upon any sidewalk in front of or abutting any premises owned or occupied after ten o'clock in any morning of any day.

Please remember that parking of any motor vehicle or trailer on Boulevards during winter/snow season is not allowed. As per Bylaw No 753 Division VI – Stationary Traffic

### 4. Obstruction Motor Vehicles

a. Should any motor vehicle or trailer be abandoned or left standing on any street within the Village in such a manner as to impede or obstruct the lawful flow of traffic of the employees of the Village engaged in the removal of snow or other roads operations, the Chief Administrative Officer, Foreman or any traffic officer may direct the removal of the obstructing motor vehicle which shall be removed to such place as may be directed and the owner of the motor vehicle shall, upon request, pay the Village the cost of such removal.

The Village boulevards and right of ways are not meant for long term parking of recreational or utility trailers. During spring and summer the Village makes concessions due to limited parking; however during the winter months we ask that all RV's, utility trailers and unlicensed vehicle be stored on private property and off the boulevards. Please be advised that the Bylaw Enforcement Officer will be enforcing the Bylaws.

## Fall Special Yard Waste Pick Up

To aid Ashcroft residents with their **FALL CLEANUP**, additional waste pick-ups will be provided **Wednesday October 19** and **Thursday October 20, 2022**. Branches less than 8" in diameter & 8' in length; Leaves/Grass/Weeds/Twigs cannot be bagged; Non-Refrigeration Appliances; Old Tires (off rims only); No Construction Waste, No Household Waste. Maximum weight of any single load or bundle is 100lbs. Garbage must be out where it can be picked up by equipment. Garbage **MUST NOT** be against fences, signs, buildings or retaining walls or it will not be picked up. Strictly Enforced!  
Please call the Village Office at 250.453.9161 to have your address put on the list for pick up.