



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT

REGULAR AGENDA

FOR THE MEETING OF COUNCIL TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE VILLAGE OFFICE AT 6:00 PM ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2022

Please be advised that the HUB Online Network will record and broadcast or live stream today's Council meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

"Mayor and Council wish to acknowledge that the meeting today is held within the traditional territory of the Nlaka'pamux people."

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion to add or delete Agenda items

Motion to adopt the Agenda as presented or as amended

M/S

THAT, the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, February 14, 2022 be adopted as presented.

2. MINUTES

2.1	Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, 2022 <i>That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, February 14, 2022 be adopted as presented.</i>	P. 1-7

3. DELEGATIONS

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4. PUBLIC INPUT

All questions and comments will be addressed through the Chair and answered likewise. Please state your name and address prior to asking a question or commenting, no more than 2 minutes per question.

5. BYLAWS/POLICIES

5.1	Bylaw No. 848, Village of Ashcroft Fire Department Regulation Bylaw, 2022 <i>THAT, Bylaw No. 848, Village of Ashcroft Fire Department Regulation Bylaw, 2022 be adopted.</i>	P. 8-18
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6. STAFF REPORTS

REQUEST FOR DECISION		
6.1		

FOR INFORMATION		
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6.3	BEO Report – BEO Summary Update for Council	P. 20-21

7. CORRESPONDENCE

FOR ACTION		
7.1	SILGA – Request for donation of Gift Baskets for SILGA Convention <i>Motion Required.</i>	P. 22
FOR INFORMATION		
7.2	Village of Chase – Support for BC Wildfires Petition – District of Lillooet	P. 23-24
7.3	Office of the Premier – New Release: New Ministers appointed for land stewardship, municipal affairs	P. 25-26
7.4	NDIT 2022 Grant Writing Support Approval Letter – Project No. 7896 20	P. 27
7.5	NDIT 2021 Business Façade Improvement Program – Project No. 7060 40	P. 28
7.6	BC Transit 2022 Budget Day and Service Plan	P. 29-30
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8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1	Task Manager	P. 32-34
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9. NEW BUSINESS

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10. REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES, COTW, and COMMISSIONS

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11. COUNCIL REPORTS

11.1	Mayor Roden – Report	P. 35-36
11.2	Councillor Anderson	
11.3	Councillor Anstett	
11.4	Councillor Davenport	
11.5	Councillor Tuohey	

12. RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN TO CLOSED MEETING

Motion to move to a closed meeting to discuss an item under the Community Charter Section 90.1

12.1	<i>That Council adjourn to a closed meeting under Community Charter Section 90.1(m) a matter that, under another enactment, is such that the public may be excluded from the meeting.</i>	
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13. RESOLUTIONS RELEASED FROM CLOSED MEETING

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14. ADJOURNMENT



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT

REGULAR MINUTES

FOR THE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE VILLAGE OFFICE AT
6:00 PM ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2022

PRESENT: Mayor, Barbara Roden
 Councillor, Jonah Anstett
 Councillor, Nadine Davenport - zoom
 Councillor, Deb Tuohey

CAO, Daniela Dyck
 CFO, Yogi Bhalla
 DPW, Brian Bennewith

Media – 1
 Public – 1

EXCUSED: Councillor, Marilyn Anderson

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Roden called the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday, February 14, 2022 to order at 6:00 pm.

“Mayor and Council wish to acknowledge that the meeting today is held within the traditional territory of the Nlaka’pamux people.”

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion to add or delete Agenda items

Motion to adopt the Agenda as presented or as amended

M/S Tuohey / Anstett

THAT, the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, February 14, 2022 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED – Unanimous – R-2022-16

2. MINUTES

2.1	Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, January 10, 2022 M/S Anstett / Davenport <i>THAT, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, January 10, 2022 be adopted as presented.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-17
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3. DELEGATIONS

3.1	N/A	
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4. PUBLIC INPUT

All questions and comments will be addressed through the Chair and answered likewise. Please state your name and address prior to asking a question or commenting, no more than 2 minutes per question.

Gloria Mertens Area I TNRD

2.1 Minutes – Point of Information

5.1 Fire Rescue Establishing Bylaw Training and related operations

Suggestion to include LAFC in definitions

Clarification in regards to LAFC entering private property under jurisdiction having authority clause.

Business License clarification requested in regards to the differences between the old and new bylaw.

HUB Emergency Services collaboration comment regarding VOA financial support through Grant in Aid process.

6.6 North Ashcroft Reservoir – question in regards to cost of the report

Question – What volume base estimate is the village using to determine water consumption?

Question – Is Water to AIB included in the proposal?

Financial:

TNRD Forensic Audit Recommends frequent rotation of auditors – encourages Council to consider this.

Suspense account clarification requested

Land Registry expense clarification requested

5. BYLAWS

5.1	CAO Report – Fire Department Establishment Bylaw No. 848, 2022 Cnlr. Anstett recused himself in a conflict of interest at 6:24 returned at 6:26 M/S Roden / Davenport <i>THAT, third reading of the Fire Department Establishing Bylaw No. 848, 2022 be rescinded.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-18
	M/S Roden / Tuohey <i>THAT, the Fire Department Establishment Bylaw No. 848, 2022 be re-read a third time as amended.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-19
5.2	Bylaw No. 850 – Village of Ashcroft Business Licence Bylaw, 2022 M/S Tuohey / Anstett <i>THAT, Bylaw No. 850, cited as Village of Ashcroft Business Licence Bylaw, 2022 be adopted.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-20

6. STAFF REPORTS

REQUEST FOR DECISION		
6.1	CAO Report – Wildfire Review Letter M/S Anstett / Davenport <i>THAT, Council approves the draft letters requesting MP, Brad Vis and MLA, Jackie Tegar to lobby for a review of the BC Wildfire and Forest Management practices as presented with their respective governments, as amended.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-21

6.2	<p>CAO Report – UBCM Emergency Support Services (ESS) Grant Funding Application M/S Anstett / Tuohey <i>THAT, Council endorses the proposed collaboration between the Village of Ashcroft and the Ashcroft HUB Society to provide ESS services, and further that, Council supports the Village of Ashcroft application for Grant Funding to UBCM in the amount of \$11,128.51 to purchase the required supplies to establish the service.</i></p>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-22
6.3	<p>CAO Report – Railway Assessment Reclassification – Proposed Resolution to SILGA M/S Anstett / Davenport <i>THAT, Council for the Village of Ashcroft approve the following Resolution and submit it to the Southern Interior Local Government Association for consideration:</i></p> <p>WHEREAS land used for the purposes of extracting, storage of products, manufacturing or transporting of goods are categorized as Class 5 Light Industry in the BC Assessment Classifications Act – Prescribed Classes of Property Regulations BC Reg. 438/81 with the exception of lands used or held for the purposes of, or for purposes ancillary to, the business of transportation by railway;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS ancillary rail operations such as transloading facilities are a heavy burden on local government infrastructure through trucking activity and movement of product and require a higher level of government support including fire services:</p> <p>THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Provincial Government be urged to review the Assessment Classifications in the BC Assessment Act – Prescribed Classes of Property Regulations BC Reg. 438/81 and that business for the purposes ancillary to railway operations including transloading facilities be reclassified as Class 5 Light Industry in order to create fair taxation from railway operations and further that, Section 5(e) be repealed from the Act.</p>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-23
6.4	<p>CAO Report – Grant in Aid Policy Review M/S Tuohey / Davenport <i>THAT, Council direct staff to update both Grant in Aid Policies as follows:</i> <i>Grant in Aid – Individual/Organization - update policy to include spring and fall Intake date. Application will be considered twice per year at the first meeting in March and September applications must be received by Feb 28/29th and Aug 31st to be considered; and implement a bi-annual program promotion to advise community organizations of the pending intake.</i> <i>Unconditional Grant in Aid – update policy and remove the Chamber of Commerce clause, add requirement for updated Agreements at maximum 5-year intervals and update the Communities in Bloom Grant in Aid total to \$5,500.</i></p>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-24

6.5	<p>CAO Report – Council Remuneration and Travel Expenses M/S Anstett / Tuohey <i>THAT, Council establishes a committee to review the Council Annual Remuneration Policy C-05-2021 as described in the Village of Ashcroft Indemnification and Council Remuneration Bylaw No. 824, 2018 and provide a report back for Council consideration; and further that the committee consist of the CAO, CFO, Cnlr. Tuohey and Cnlr. Davenport.</i></p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-25</p>
6.6	<p>CAO Report – Support for North Ashcroft Reservoir Grant Funding M/S Anstett / Davenport <i>THAT, staff submit an application for grant funding for the North Ashcroft Reservoir Twinning project through the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – Environmental Quality in the total amount of \$2,801,939.30; and THAT Council supports the project and commits to its share \$1,019,060.70 of the project, as well as cost overruns.</i></p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-26</p>
FOR INFORMATION		
6.7	<p>CAO Report – Strategic Plan Update M/S Roden / Anstett <i>THAT, the Strategic Plan update be received for information.</i></p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-27</p>
6.8	<p>CFO Report – 2021 Year End Financial Review CFO Bhalla provided a financial review of 2021 Challenging year with fires and COVID Project Cash flow 2.3 M in the bank at Jan 1 Projects are in full swing no borrowing anticipated Focus on succession planning – training for new staff and cross overs Financial leadership 2.5% consistent tax increases Utilities - no increase Asset Management GIS & Database open-source development – helps us control IT costs Emergency Management - success Community engagement – increased Council engagement – working groups BI CFO Bhalla provided a BI financial update highlighting the General Operating Fund expenses, revenues, general services, recreational, environmental health services, landfill costs significant increase. Water Operating Fund Sewer Operating Fund Rule changes in Asset Retirement Obligations PSAB 3280 Legal obligation to retire or decommission an asset Must be reflected in the 2023 financial statements M/S Roden / Anstett <i>THAT, the Financial Report presented by CFO Bhalla be received for information.</i></p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-28</p>

7. CORRESPONDENCE

FOR ACTION		
7.1	<p>Ash-Creek TV Society – Grant In Aid Request M/S Anstett / Davenport <i>THAT, Council approves the Ash-Creek TV Society Grant in Aid request to repair damages sustained to equipment by vandalism in the amount of \$500.00.</i></p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-29</p>
7.2	<p>Ashcroft & Area Community Resources Society – Request to use the Community Hall in December 2022 for Christmas Hampers M/S Anstett / Tuohey <i>THAT, Council supports the Ashcroft and Area Resource Society Food Hamper Drive and approves the use of the Community Hall from December 13th – 17th, 2022.</i></p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-30</p>
7.3	<p>Girl Guides of Canada – Guiding Lights Across BC – February 22, 2022 M/S Roden / Tuohey <i>THAT, Council supports the Girl Guides of Canada’s - Guiding Lights Across BC initiative and that public works light up the Old Fire Hall on February 22, 2022 with blue lights.</i></p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-31</p>
7.4	<p>TNRD Regional Growth Study – Appetite for Update M/S Roden / Anstett <i>THAT, staff contact the TNRD advising: Ashcroft Council believes updating the TNRD Regional Growth Strategy is warranted in light of the changes due to the Provincially mandated Housing Needs Assessments, pandemic impacts and newly released census results.</i></p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-32</p>
7.5	<p>Village of Cumberland, Office of the Mayor – Seeking UBCM Municipalities’ Support for Private Members Bill C-216, Health-Based Approach to the Substance Use Act M/S Tuohey / Anstett <i>THAT, the Village of Cumberland, Office of the Mayor – Seeking UBCM Municipalities’ Support for Private Members Bill C-216, Health-Based Approach to the Substance Use be received and filed.</i></p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-33</p>

7.6	<p>BC Epilepsy Society – International PURPLE Day for Epilepsy Awareness March 26, 2022 Proclamation M/S Tuohey Anstett <i>THAT, Council approves the BC Epilepsy Society request to proclaim March 26, 2022 as International PURPLE Day for Epilepsy Awareness in Ashcroft and that an article be included in the Village Newsletter to build public awareness.</i></p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-34</p>
7.7	<p>Town of Bifuka – Greetings from our Sister City, Bifuka, Japan M/S Roden / Tuohey <i>THAT, Council direct staff to send a letter of reply to Ashcroft’s Sister City, Bifuka Japan with a community update and include a copy of the new Ashcroft Pocket Guide.</i></p>	<p>CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-35</p>
FOR INFORMATION		
7.8	BC Transit COVID Update	
7.9	SILGA January 2022 Newsletter – 2022 SILGA AGM and Convention Salmon Arm, BC April 26 th – 29 th	

7.10	Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure – Disaster Response Transportation Update	
7.11	Information Flip Chart	
	M/S Anstett / Davenport <i>THAT, the Information Correspondence be received and filed.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-36

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1	Council Meeting Schedule – Changes to Original Schedule M/S Roden / Anstett <i>THAT, Council adopt the amended Council Meeting Schedule as presented.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-37
8.2	Task Manager M/S Roden / Tuohey <i>THAT, the Task Manager be received for information.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-38

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1	N/A	
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10. REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES, COTW, and COMMISSIONS

10.1	Trails Master Plan & Asset Management WG Notes – November 10, 2021 M/S Tuohey / Anstett <i>THAT, the Trails Master Plan & Asset Management WG Notes be receive and filed.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-39
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11. COUNCIL REPORTS

11.1	Mayor Roden – Report	
11.2	Councillor Anderson	
11.3	Councillor Anstett	
11.4	Councillor Davenport	
11.5	Councillor Tuohey	
	M/S Tuohey / Anstett <i>THAT, the Council Reports be received and filed.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-40

12. RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN TO CLOSED MEETING

Motion to move to a closed meeting to discuss an item under the Community Charter Section 90.1

12.1	M/S Roden / Davenport <i>That Council adjourn to a closed meeting under Community Charter Section 90.11 the acquisition, disposition or expropriation of land or improvements, if the Council considers that disclosure could reasonable by expected to harm the interests of the municipality;</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-41
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	<i>and Section 90.1 (i) discussions with municipal affairs and employees respecting municipal objectives, measures and progress reports for the purposes of preparing an annual report under Section 98 [annual municipal report].</i>	
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13. RESOLUTIONS RELEASED FROM CLOSED MEETING

13.1	N/A	
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14. ADJOURNMENT

M/S Roden / Davenport

THAT, the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday, February 14, 2022 be adjourned at 8:22 pm.
 CARRIED – Unanimous – R-2022-42

Certified to be a true copy of the
 Minutes for the Regular Meeting of
 Council held Monday, February 14, 2022

 Daniela Dyck
 Chief Administrative Officer

 Barbara Roden
 Mayor

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BYLAW NO. 848

A BYLAW FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND REGULATION OF A FIRE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS pursuant to the *Local Government Act* and *Community Charter* of the Province of British Columbia, a Municipal Council may by bylaw, establish and make regulations for a fire and rescue department;

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the Village of Ashcroft, acting as the authority having jurisdiction, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

1. This bylaw may be cited as "VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT FIRE DEPARTMENT REGULATION BYLAW NO. 848, 2022".
2. That the Corporation of the Village of Ashcroft Fire Bylaw No. 486 and all amendments thereto, are hereby repealed.
3. The British Columbia Fire Code Regulations, Fire Services Act and the National Fire Protection Association, and all pertinent amendments thereto are applicable within the Village of Ashcroft, in conjunction with this bylaw.
4. This bylaw is divided into the following parts:

Part I Definitions

Part II Fire Department
201 Establishment
202 Fire Chief
203 Officers
204 Membership
205 Remuneration
206 Administration

Part III Fire Protection Agreements and Mutual Aid
301 Agreements

Schedules attached and forming part of this bylaw.

Schedule A Code of Conduct
Schedule B Remuneration
Schedule C PEP Highway Rescue Boundaries

PART I - DEFINITIONS

"Administrator"	means the Chief Administrative Officer of the Village of Ashcroft.
"Approval"	means acceptance as satisfactory to the Fire Chief or his designate.
"Council"	means the Council of the Village of Ashcroft.
"Department"	means the Ashcroft Fire Rescue.
"Deputy Fire Chief(s)"	means the person appointed from time to time as the Deputy Fire Chief(s) of the Ashcroft Fire Rescue
"Duty"	means time while being paid as a member of the Fire Department.
"Executive Committee"	means a Committee consisting of the Fire Chief, Deputy Fire Chief(s), the FD Association Secretary/Treasurer, Officers and three Members at large as appointed by Council.
"Fire Chief"	means the person appointed from time to time as the Fire Chief of the Ashcroft Fire Rescue, and any Officer, Member or Inspector authorized by the Fire Chief, to act on behalf of the Fire Chief.
"Member"	means any Member of the Ashcroft Fire Rescue and includes an Officer.
"Junior Members"	means any member of the Ashcroft Fire Rescue that is between the ages of 16 and 19.
"Officer"	means any Member appointed to a position of Fire Chief, Deputy Fire Chief(s), Captain, Lieutenant, Training/Prevention Officer or Safety Officer.
"Premise"	means any structure used or intended for supporting or sheltering any use or occupancy.

PART II - FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT

201 **ESTABLISHMENT**

1. There is hereby constituted a fire department for the Village of Ashcroft to be known as the "Ashcroft Fire Rescue" (AFR), and the head of the department shall be known as the "Fire Chief".
2. In addition to the Fire Chief, the Ashcroft Fire Rescue personnel shall consist of other Officers and Members as from time to time may be determined by Council.

202 **FIRE CHIEF**

1. The Fire Chief shall be appointed by resolution of Council upon completion of the process determined in the Ashcroft Fire Rescue Constitution.
2. Reporting to the Administrator or designate, the Fire Chief is accountable for overseeing the provision of services for the protection of lives and property of the citizens of the Village of Ashcroft from fire hazards, and for the operation of the Ashcroft Fire Rescue, including training and fire prevention.
3. The Fire Chief shall take all proper measures for the prevention, control, and extinguishment of fire, for the protection of life and property, and shall enforce all codes and bylaws respecting fire prevention, life safety, inspections and investigations.
 - a) the Fire Chief may appoint an appropriately trained member to carry out fire inspections
4. The Fire Chief has complete responsibility for the Ashcroft Fire Rescue, subject to the direction of the Administrator and direction/control of the Council, to which the Fire Chief shall be responsible, and in particular shall be required to carry out all fire protection activities and such other activities as Council directs, including but not limited to:
 - a) training and related operational planning as per the Village of Ashcroft Declared Fire Operations Service Level Policy #5.1
 - b) preventative patrols.
 - c) pre-fire planning;
 - d) disaster planning;

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- e) other incidents.
5. The Fire Chief, or any member of the Ashcroft Fire Rescue with Local Assistant to the Fire Commissioner (LAFC) designation authorized by Council, may at any reasonable time enter any premise for the purpose of fire prevention inspections as per the Fire Services Act.
 6. The Fire Chief shall establish rules, regulations, policies, operational guidelines and committees necessary for the proper organization and administration of the Ashcroft Fire Rescue including, but not limited to the:
 - a) use, care and protection of property;
 - b) conduct and discipline of Officers and Members of the department; and
 - c) efficient operation of the department.

203 OFFICERS

1. The Deputy Fire Chief(s), shall be appointed by resolution of Council in consultation with the Fire Chief upon completion of the process determined in the Ashcroft Fire Rescue Constitution.
 - a) In the absence of the Fire Chief, the Deputy Fire Chief(s) shall have full charge and control of all matters coming within the jurisdiction of the Fire Chief.
2. Captains and Lieutenants, shall be appointed by the Fire Chief through the process determined in the Ashcroft Fire Rescue Constitution.
 - a) Qualified prospective Captains and Lieutenants are appointed or demoted by the Chief in consultation and with recommendation of all Officers. Final responsibility for appointing and demoting Captains and Lieutenants, rests solely with the Fire Chief.
 - b) Members will have the right to recommend to the Fire Chief to have any Captain or Lieutenant removed from rank for just cause as determined in the Code of Conduct. Upon recommendation being given to the Fire Chief, the Fire Chief may decide to place the Captain or Lieutenant on probation for a period of not more than six (6) months to correct the cause. Either, at the end of the probation period or at an earlier date, the Officer may be removed or have their position reconfirmed by the Fire Chief.

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204 MEMBERSHIP

1. A person is qualified to be appointed as an Active Member of the Department who:
 - a) is 19 years of age or older;
 - b) is of good character;
 - c) passes such aptitude and other tests as may be required by Council; and,
 - d) resides within the municipal boundaries of the Village of Ashcroft.
2. Subject to clause 205(1) (d), a person may reside outside of the municipal boundaries of the Village of Ashcroft provided:
 - a) the person lives within 12 kilometres radius of the Fire Hall;
 - b) no more than 25% of the entire membership of the Department reside outside the municipal boundaries of the Village of Ashcroft; and,
3. Every Member and Officer shall be required to comply with the Code of Conduct as per Schedule "A", attached to and forming part of this bylaw as well as the operating rules and regulations established by the Department.
4. The Fire Chief may terminate a probationary Member, or extend probation, at any time, without cause.
5. The Fire Chief may discipline or discharge any Officer or Member for cause.
 - a) If the Members or a Member is unable to agree with a disciplinary decision of the Fire Chief, the Member may appeal to the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall either uphold the Fire Chief's decision or appeal the decision of the Fire Chief. If the Executive Committee and the Fire Chief are unable to reach agreement on the issue; both sides shall submit a report to the Administrator for consideration. If the Administrator is unable to bring about a consensus, the two reports shall be submitted to Council for a final resolution of the issue.
6. Every Member is subject to a medical examination at such time as the Fire Chief may require.

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7. Every Member will be subject to an annual criminal record check and drivers abstract.
8. Every new Member will be subject to a criminal background check and must provide a driver's profile and obtain an air brake endorsement before completing the earliest opportunity provided by the Ashcroft Fire Rescue. Existence of a criminal record or a poor driver's profile will be grounds for discharge.
9. An individual who has been with the department less than six (6) months shall be deemed a probationary Member.
10. Every Member of the Ashcroft Fire Rescue will receive training as required by the Fire Commissioners Play Book.
11. Junior members shall have the same privileges and requirements as an active member, with the additional restrictions determined in the Ashcroft Fire Rescue Constitution, and or by the Fire Chief.

205 REMUNERATION

1. The remuneration of all Members shall be as specified in Schedule "B", attached to and forming part of this bylaw.
2. Payments for fire calls are paid as per Schedule "B" of this bylaw. Rescue calls inside municipal boundaries will be deemed Ashcroft Fire Rescue call outs and will be paid according to Schedule "B". Rescue calls outside municipal boundaries will be paid according to Schedule "B" to a maximum of five (5) members attending the call, unless the Fire Chief has received approval for additional members to attend the call from the Administrator or designate.

206 ADMINISTRATION

1. The limits of the jurisdiction of the Fire Chief, and the Officers and Members of the department will extend to the area and boundaries of the Village of Ashcroft, and fire protection agreement areas as determined by Council, and no part of the fire apparatus shall be used beyond the limits of the municipality without:
 - a) the express authorization of a written contract or agreement providing for the supply of fire fighting services outside the municipal boundaries or;
 - b) the approval of Council, or at the discretion of the combination of the Fire Chief and Mayor, Acting Mayor or Administrator.

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2. The Rescue "responses and areas of jurisdiction" of the department are shown on Schedule 'C' attached and forming part of this Bylaw.
3. The Fire Chief shall submit to the Administrator and the Chief Financial Officer, for inclusion with the overall Village budget submitted to Council for approval, the annual budget for the Ashcroft Fire Rescue.
4. Honorary Members are entitled to attend social functions only.

PART III - FIRE PROTECTION AGREEMENTS AND MUTUAL AID

301 **AGREEMENTS AND MUTUAL AID**

1. The Council for the Village of Ashcroft, after consultation with the Fire Chief, may enter into agreements and mutual aid for the provision of fire protection by, for, or on behalf of the owners or occupiers of property situated within or out of the municipality, with any person, firm or corporation, or municipality, or improvement district or other properly constituted authority, and for the paying or collecting, as the case may be, of such charges therefor as may be agreed upon.

READ A FIRST TIME this	13 th	day of	December, 2021.
READ A SECOND TIME this	13 th	day of	December, 2021.
READ A THIRD TIME this	10 th	day of	January, 2022.
RESCIND THIRD READING this	14 th	day of	February, 2022.
RE-READ A THIRD TIME this as AMENDED	14 th	day of	February, 2022.
ADOPTED this		day of	, 2022.

SCHEDULE "A"
CODE OF CONDUCT

All Officers and Members of the Ashcroft Fire Rescue shall:

1. At all times be governed by the ordinary and responsible rules of behaviour observed by law-abiding and self-respecting citizens, and no member shall commit any act tending to bring discredit upon the department or its members. Furthermore, when representing the department, all members shall be expected to be courteous and respectful in their contacts with the public;
2. Operate through the Fire Chief in the transactions of the department business;
3. Attend all fires or emergencies to which they may be dispatched and to perform to the best of their ability. Neglect, inefficiency or indifference of members in the performance of their duties is not acceptable;
4. Exercise precaution and good judgement in order to avoid injury to themselves and to other members;
5. Familiarize themselves with, and be obedient to the regulations, practices and procedures of the department;
6. Accord obedience, proper respect and courtesy to Officers and acting Officers;
7. Make truthful and accurate reports, and not make statements with intent to deceive;
8. Not wilfully mutilate any useful department record, book, paper or document;
9. Promptly notify the Fire Chief of all matters coming to their attention affecting the interest of the department;
10. Notify the Fire Chief of any inability to report for duty and the reason for such inability;
11. Exercise caution to avoid unnecessary damage or loss of department property, and be responsible for the safekeeping and proper care of all department property;
12. Not remain on duty if their ability is impaired by the use of a mind altering substance(s) including but not limited to: alcohol, cannabis, recreational and/or prescription drugs;
13. Not use or take in any form of a mind altering substance(s) as noted in item 12 while on

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duty;

14. Not indulge in obscene or uncivil language, altercations or conduct while on duty which might cause adverse public reaction or injury to any person;
15. Abstain from promoting their names, in the context as a member of the department, for any commercial or business purposes, or for countenancing the use of the name and/or prestige of the department for such purposes; and
16. Accept no reward, fee or gift from any person for services incidental to the performance of duty, except with permission of the Fire Chief.

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SCHEDULE "B"
Remuneration

1. The Ashcroft Fire Rescue shall receive remuneration based on the following rates effective at bylaw adoption for practices and call outs:
 - Practices with Play Book Certification: \$15.00;
 - Practices without Play Book Certification: \$12.50;
 - Callouts up to 2.5 hours: \$25.00;
 - Callouts up to 4.5 hours: \$45.00;
 - Callouts greater than 4.5 hours becomes a flat rate of \$80.00/day
 - Team Leader training incentive will be \$2.50 more for practices (\$17.50 practices);
- * Years refers to years of service with the Ashcroft Fire Rescue (Years of Service is determined on the anniversary of the start date)
2. Rescue calls will only be paid when the response is inside municipal boundaries.
3. All remuneration is paid on a monthly basis to the Ashcroft Fire Rescue.
4. The Village of Ashcroft is the primary fire protection responsibility of the Ashcroft Fire Rescue, an appropriate number of members must be available for fire protection services in the village at all times regardless of other call outs.
5. Rescue calls outside of the Village of Ashcroft Fire Protection area will be remunerated by Emergency Management BC through the Village of Ashcroft. PEP number is required at time of dispatch.

SCHEDULE "C"

PEP Highway Rescue Boundaries

Note: Kilometers are calculated from the Firehall.

<u>Location</u>	<u>Hwy./ Road</u>	<u>GPS</u>	<u>Distance</u>
Spences Bridge	Hwy. 1 West	50 degrees 24' 49.76" N 121 degrees 21' 31.19" W	44 km
North Rd. Junction Towards Logan Lake	Hwy. 97C	50 degrees 34' 33.41" N 121 degrees 13' 04.73" W	22 km towards Logan Lake
Wahlachin turnoff	Hwy. 1 East	50 degrees 46' 13.50" N 121 degrees 01' 41.62" W	34 km
Bridge before Loon Lake turnoff	Hwy. 97 North	50 degrees 57' 50.84" N 121 degrees 26' 59.91" W	32 km
Hwy 99/Upper Hat Creek Junction	Hwy. 99 West	50 degrees 47' 45.60" N 121 degrees 36' 35.66" W	42 km

STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL – OPEN MEETING

MEETING DATE: February 28, 2022
FROM: Yogi Bhalla, Chief Financial Officer
SUBJECT: Project Financial Updates

Purpose

Updating council on the project financial status

Recommendation

NA

Alternatives

NA

Discussion

We have a number of high value projects on the go. Here are the updates on each

- No. 1 Lift Station: Filed claim for \$455,983 with a grant value of \$273,590. A disbursement balance of \$216,895 was prepaid and are anticipating \$56,695. The province requested 2 reports are part of the contract condition. They have been filed.
- Hot Tub: Claim was filed for \$17,114 with estimated grant of \$12,550 alongside a contract condition report.
- Fire Station: Our quotes received came in much higher than anticipated. We have entered into discussion with the architect and vendor and engaged them in a pre-construction process to narrow down design & quotes in order to bring the project back to a feasible amount.
- Reservoir Application: The reservoir application has been submitted. This is our second largest project to date and we are applying for a grant amount of \$2,801,939.30 The cost to date of survey, feasibility an application support is \$6236.80

Strategic/Municipal Objectives

Financial Stewardship and Asset Management

Legislative Authority

NA

Financial Implications

NA

Attachment Listing

NA.

Prepared by:



Yogi Bhalla,
Chief Financial Officer

Approved for submission to Council:



Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

REPORT TO COUNCIL – OPEN MEETING

DATE: February 28, 2022
TO: Council
FROM: Samuel Sidal, Inter-Community Bylaw Enforcement Officer
SUBJECT: Bylaw Enforcement Update

Purpose:

To provide Council with an update in regards to establishing and implementing Bylaw Enforcement in Ashcroft.

Recommendations:

For Information

Alternatives:

N/A

Discussion:

- 1. ICBC Vehicle Information Search**
Developed privacy policy which has been submitted to ICBC for approval.
- 2. Vehicle Towing Agreement**
Spoken to local towing companies and reached out to other municipalities to review their towing agreements. Depending on the size of the municipality, towing agreements are made between a towing company and the RCMP/local law enforcement or the municipality. In our case a towing agreement would be made with the Village of Ashcroft and a towing company directly. More research is required before one can be created.
- 3. Bylaw Fine Schedule**
Developed bylaw fine schedule for 6 bylaws. Some fine schedules will not be created until the bylaw is amended or repealed.
- 4. Animal Control Officer**
Research is ongoing in regards to the possibility contracting an animal control officer to assist with dogs at large.
- 5. Bylaw Enforcement Policy**
No progress has been made as the fine schedule has been given greater priority.

6. Summary of Bylaw Violation: January 1, 2022 - present

Bylaw Violation	Total Number of Incidents	Resolved	Open
Business Licence Bylaw No. 850, 2022	1	0	1
Dog Control and Pound Operation Bylaw No. 832, 2019	1	1	0
Outdoor Burning Bylaw No. 849, 2022 – Permit Inspection	1	1	0
Traffic Regulation Bylaw No. 753, 2008	7	7	0
Unsightly Premises Bylaw No. 505, 1990	1	0	1

Patrols were completed after each snowfall. The presence of the BEO prompted residents to clear snow to ensure walkways were safe for the public. After the BEO had a friendly discussion with some residents regarding the Village of Ashcroft’s Traffic Regulation Bylaw No. 753,2008 and the section pertaining to snow and Ice removal some business managers and residents removed snow themselves or contracted a third party to remove snow and Ice from sidewalks on their behalf the same day and moving forward.

Strategic Municipal Objectives:

Bylaw Enforcement

Financial Implications:

N/A

Attachment Listing:

N/A

Prepared by:



Samuel Sidal
Inter-Community Bylaw Enforcement Officer

Approved for submission to Council:



Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

From: southern interior local government [<mailto:yoursilga@gmail.com>]

Sent: February 25, 2022 10:34 AM

To: becky harmata <bharmata@kelowna.ca>; Caylee Simmons <csimmons@salmonarm.ca>; Cheryl Hardisty <Cheryl.Hardisty@penticton.ca>; Christy Malden <cmalden@rdos.bc.ca>; City Of Armstrong <info@cityofarmstrong.bc.ca>; City Of Enderby <info@cityofenderby.com>; City Of Kelowna <mayorandcouncil@kelowna.ca>; City Of Merritt <info@merritt.ca>; City of Penticton <mayor@penticton.ca>; City Of Revelstoke <admin@revelstoke.ca>; City of Salmon Arm <cityhall@salmonarm.ca>; City of Vernon <creception@vernon.ca>; Collette Beggs <Collette.Beggs@westkelownacity.ca>; crystal Gelineau <cgelineau@kamloops.ca>; CSRD <inquiries@csrd.bc.ca>; District Of Barriere <inquiry@barriere.ca>; District Of Clearwater <admin@docbc.ca>; District Of Coldstream <info@coldstream.ca>; District of Lake Country ... <admin@lakecountry.bc.ca>; District Of Lillooet <cityhall@lillooetbc.ca>; District Of Logan Lake <districtofloganlake@loganlake.ca>; District Of Peachland <info@peachland.ca>; District of Sicamous <info@sicamous.ca>; District of Summerland <info@summerland.ca>; District Of West Kelowna <info@westkelownacity.ca>; info-rdco <info@rdco.com>; Jaleen Rousseau <jrousseau@revelstoke.ca>; John Thomas <cao@docbc.ca>; katie soltis <ksoltis@tnrd.ca>; kelly bennett <kbennett@sicamous.ca>; Kelly McIntosh <kmcintosh@lakecountry.bc.ca>; linda brick <lbrick@merritt.ca>; Marg Coulson <cao@keremeos.ca>; Maria Doyle <mdoyle@vernon.ca>; Melany Helmer <MHelmer@slrd.bc.ca>; Melisa Miles <mmiles@loganlake.ca>; Murray daly <cao@village.clinton.bc.ca>; polly palmer <ppalmer@peachland.ca>; RDNO <info@rdno.ca>; RDOS <info@rdos.bc.ca>; SLRD <info@slrd.bc.ca>; Sun Peaks Resort Municipality <admin@sunpeaksmunicipality.ca>; Tasha Buchanan <tbuchanan@barriere.ca>; TNRD <admin@tnrd.ca>; Tom Kadla <tomk@lumby.ca>; Toni Boot <mayor@summerland.ca>; Town Of Oliver <admin@oliver.ca>; Town Of Osoyoos <info@osoyoos.ca>; Town Of Princeton <admin@princeton.ca>; Township Of Spallumcheen <mail@spallumcheentwp.bc.ca>; Trevor Seibel <tseibel@coldstream.ca>; Maiké Mayden <admin@ashcroftbc.ca>; Village Of Cache Creek <admin@cachecreek.info>; Village Of Chase <chase@chasebc.ca>; Village Of Clinton <admin@village.clinton.bc.ca>; Village Of Keremeos <info@keremeos.ca>; Village Of Lumby <info@lumby.ca>; Village Of Lytton <cao@lytton.ca>
Subject: SILGA convention - gift baskets

Good morning everyone,

Each year at the convention, we like to showcase the unique characteristics of each of the SILGA communities with gift baskets. These baskets are used as door prizes during the convention and often start a conversation around the table when the basket goodies are opened.

If your community can send a basket with one of the delegates attending the convention, the SILGA board would really appreciate it.

Thanks, Alison

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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
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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 cursive script that reads "Rod S. Crowe".

Rod Crowe, Mayor

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

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British Columbia News

New ministers appointed for land stewardship, municipal affairs

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/26310>

Friday, February 25, 2022 10:22 AM

Victoria - Premier John Horgan has appointed Josie Osborne as Minister of Land, Water, and Resource Stewardship and Minister Responsible for Fisheries, and Nathan Cullen as Minister of Municipal Affairs. Premier Horgan has also named MLA Doug Routley as Parliamentary Secretary for Forests to support the important work of Minister Katrine Conroy to modernize forestry in British Columbia.

"The new ministry for land stewardship reflects the fact that natural resources are foundational to our province and they are the backbone of many local economies," said Premier Horgan. "Minister Josie Osborne's experience and skill will help government bring more predictability to the land base, while protecting B.C.'s natural heritage and ensuring the benefits are shared more widely now and in the future."

The establishment of the Ministry of Land, Water and Resource Stewardship follows government's commitment on reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples, protecting B.C.'s environment and building a strong economic recovery that works for people. Osborne will work with First Nations, local communities and industry to build a vision for land and resource management that will embrace shared decision making on the land base and to build certainty and create further opportunity for everyone.

As Minister of Municipal Affairs, Cullen will work with local governments to support their communities as they recover and rebuild stronger after COVID-19 and extreme weather. Cullen will support municipalities to address their priorities, from building infrastructure to responding to challenges posed to businesses and neighbourhoods by homelessness.

"By working together and putting people first, we have laid the foundation for B.C. to come through these challenging times even stronger," said Premier Horgan. "The people of B.C. can count on Josie, Nathan and Doug to work hard every day to deliver on our commitments to build a stronger B.C. where no one is left behind."

The fisheries, aquaculture and wild salmon files will be moved under the new ministry. Fin Donnelly, Parliamentary Secretary for Fisheries and Aquaculture, will work with Osborne, while continuing his collaboration with federal, First Nations and local governments to protect fish habitat.

A backgrounder follows.

Lindsay Byers

Press Secretary

Office of the Premier

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Backgrounders

Ministry of Land, Water, and Resource Stewardship facts

Government announced in the speech from the throne that it would launch a new ministry to oversee better stewardship and management of B.C.'s land and resources.

This followed more than a year of planning led by the Lands and Natural Resource Operations Secretariat with significant participation from natural resource ministries and in consultation with First Nations and sector stakeholders.

The restructuring is a necessary and natural evolution of land and resource management in B.C. It will allow the sector to build a new vision for land and resource management with First Nations that will embrace shared decision-making on the land base and further integrate key strategic policies. These changes are needed to advance

meaningful reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples, grow the economy and ensure a sustainable environment.

The Ministry of Land, Water, and Resource Stewardship will be responsible for:

- Developing a path forward with First Nations to build a co-managed land and resource management regime that will ensure B.C.'s natural resources are managed effectively now and in the future.
- Strengthening B.C.'s commitment to land-use policy and planning to bring more certainty to investors, communities and First Nations by confirming social choice on the land base through inclusive processes led by this new ministry.
- Provincial leadership on water policy and strategies, including the co-ordination of government's source to tap strategy to protect drinking water, Coastal Marine Strategy, Watershed Security Strategy and Fund and Wild Salmon Strategy.
- Development and implementation of a provincial cumulative effects regime and the expansion of environmental stewardship initiatives with First Nations to better monitor, assess and manage natural resource values as B.C. strives for economic recovery.
- Provincial species at risk and fish and wildlife ecosystem management.
- Cross Sector Solutioning – bringing together multi-disciplined teams from across the natural resource sector to address key challenges, such as cumulative effects and permitting and authorizations.
- Increasing the Province's capacity to manage for cumulative effects through integration of both science-based land, aquatic, resource and geographic data and traditional knowledge of First Nations so evidence-informed policy and decisions can be made.



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February 10, 2022

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Attention: Mayor Barbara Roden

**Subject: 2022 Grant Writing Support
Northern Development Project Number 7896 20**

The Northern Development Initiative Trust board appreciates your interest and application to the 2022 Grant Writing Support program. The purpose of this funding is to provide grant writing support for priority community projects and to provide assistance to non-profits and First Nations located in or near your community. We are pleased to advise you that your application has been approved for a rebate grant up to \$8,000 toward a community grant writing position during the 2022 calendar year. Northern Development is flexible as to when you contract or hire these services during 2022.

The Village of Ashcroft must submit a completed Grant Writing Support program reporting form which can be found on Northern Development's website at www.northerndevelopment.bc.ca/funding-programs/capacity-building/grant-writing-support/. This report must verify a minimum of \$10,500 in wages or contract payments and a minimum of \$200,000 of grant applications during the approved calendar year. The minimum requirements must be met in order to receive the full \$8,000 rebate. Complete reporting is due by February 28, 2023.

The Northern Development Board wants to see the Village of Ashcroft reach its economic potential and we look forward to being a partner in that endeavor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joel McKay".

Joel McKay
Chief Executive Officer

c: Daniela Dyck, Chief Administrative Officer, Village of Ashcroft



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January 31, 2022

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Attention: Mayor Barbara Roden

**Subject: 2021 Business Façade Improvement Program
Northern Development Project Number 7060 40**

We are pleased to enclose our cheque in the amount of \$3,767.00 which represents Northern Development's 2021 business façade improvement funding for the Village of Ashcroft. The remaining \$16,233 has been carried forward to 2022. A complete final report is due by January 31, 2023.

Thank you for participating in the Business Façade Improvement program and please don't hesitate to contact us should you require additional information.

Sincerely,

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Joel McKay
Chief Executive Officer

c: Daniela Dyck, Chief Administrative Officer, Village of Ashcroft
Yoginder Bhalla, Chief Financial Officer, Village of Ashcroft

From: Business Development Communications
<businessdevelopmentcommunications@BCTransit.Com>

Sent: February 23, 2022 9:47 AM

To: Business Development Communications <businessdevelopmentcommunications@BCTransit.Com>

Subject: BC Transit | 2022 Budget Day and Service Plan

2022 Budget Day and Service Plan

Sent on behalf of Chris Fudge, Director of Government Relations

As you may be aware, the Province of British Columbia tabled its 2022/23 Budget yesterday. The budget will allow BC Transit and our partners to continue to provide safe and reliable service, and demonstrates that public transit remains a priority in our communities.

Throughout two years of the pandemic, the Province, BC Transit and our partners have worked closely to maintain essential service levels and contribute to the ongoing economic recovery of our province. At the same time, we have seen increased cost pressures related to inflation, fuel and contract costs. The Provincial budget confirms our commitment to ensuring that sustainable, convenient and reliable transit services are available for those who choose them.

The \$140.9 million operating grant that we are receiving from the Province will enable BC Transit to maintain essential service levels for 2022/23, and it is expected that capacity within most systems can accommodate additional growth in the absence of service expansions. BC Transit will work with local government partners to increase ridership in transit systems across the province through the optimization of existing services. This may include reallocating existing service hours to high ridership growth areas, responding to changing mobility patterns, vehicle right-sizing and increasing customer satisfaction through improved on-time performance and technology enhancements.

The commitment from the Province for public transit continues to be very high and is a priority in British Columbia. Public transit is the more sustainable transportation option, and supports the provincial CleanBC initiative to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and the impacts of climate change.

BC Transit continues to make significant progress on innovative projects that will both increase ridership and improve customer satisfaction. This includes:

- continuing to advance our Low Carbon Fleet Program
- expanding the number of systems using Smart Bus technology
- advancements in electronic fare collection
- improvements to operations and maintenance facilities and exchanges

We will continue to work with the Province and our local government partners to meet public transit demands in the communities we serve in British Columbia outside of the lower mainland. That work is demonstrated with the soon to launch Nanaimo-Cowichan Express intercommunity route and the extension of the Fraser Valley Express to Lougheed Station. Both of those will be implemented in late March.

BC Transit receives confirmation on its provincial funding on an annual basis. We will be monitoring ridership, demand, and expansion requests over the coming months and will be working closely with the Province to establish future funding requirements.

Should you wish for more information, BC Transit's 2022/23 – 2024/25 Service Plan is [available here](#). You may also reach out to your Government Relations Manager.

Thank you again for your commitment to making transit your best transportation solution as we work together to deliver solutions our customers can rely on.



INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE – FLIP CHART

FEBRUARY 28, 2022 – REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Interior Health

- Royal Inland Hospital welcomes newest cohort of graduate nurses (Feb. 11/22)
- Interior Health resuming temporarily paused services (Feb. 18/22)

BC Transit

- @Transit with Erinn Pinkerton – How BC Transit helps bridge communities across BC

Statistics Canada's Business and Community Newsletter

- February 2022

Actionable Motion and Task List Tracker - 20+A2:F1921		February			
Motion No.	Motion	Staff Responsible	Comments	Time line	Status
2020 MOTIONS					
R-2020-160	“That Council approve staff to research and develop an updated Business License Bylaw for the Village of Ashcroft and bring it back to Council for consideration.”	EA	Research and draft ongoing		completed
2021 MOTIONS					
R-2021-80	“That Council direct staff to develop a communication strategy for public engagement and not amend Bylaw No. 834, and include a guideline of what and how information can be communicated by Council on social media.”	CAO/AA	Develop a communication strategy for public engagement including guideline for information communicated by Council on social media		in-progress
2022 MOTIONS					
R-2022-08	SILGA 2022 Resolutions. Direct staff to bring back a resolution to reclassify tax assessment classification of rail yards.	CAO	Ongoing research to draft resolution to be brought back to Council.		completed
R-2022-10	That a letter be drafted with Council’s views of the 2021 Wildfire and ask BCWFS to work closely with stakeholders in the area that have knowledge of the land to aid in fire suppression and bring it back to Council for review.	CAO	Letter done as outlined in motion		completed
R-2022-12	That, the Task Manager be received for information and further that a Letter of appreciation be sent to Vicky Trill thanking her for her services over the many years to the community.	CAO	Letter sent		completed
R-2022-18	THAT, third reading of the Fire Department Establishing Bylaw No. 848, 2022 be rescinded.	EA	Rescind Third Reading of Bylaw		completed
R-2022-19	THAT, the Fire Department Establishment Bylaw No. 848, 2022 be re-read a third time as amended.	EA	Add date to Bylaw for re-read.		completed
R-2022-20	THAT, Bylaw No. 850, cited as Village of Ashcroft Business Licence Bylaw, 2022 be adopted.	EA	Add date of adoption and post to website		completed
R-2022-21	THAT, Council approves the draft letters requesting MP, Brad Vis and MLA, Jackie Tegart to lobby for a review of the BC Wildfire and Forest Management practices as presented with their respective governments, as amended.	CAO	Letters amended and sent to MP Vis and MLA Tegart		completed
R-2022-22	THAT, Council endorses the proposed collaboration between the Village of Ashcroft and the Ashcroft HUB Society to provide ESS services, and further that, Council supports the Village of Ashcroft application for Grant Funding to UBCM in the amount of \$11,128.51 to purchase the required supplies to establish the service.	CAO	Forward motion to UBCM		completed

R-2022-23	<p>THAT, Council for the Village of Ashcroft approve the following Resolution and submit it to the Southern Interior Local Government Association for consideration:</p> <p>WHEREAS land used for the purposes of extracting, storage of products, manufacturing or transporting of goods are categorized as Class 5 Light Industry in the BC Assessment Classifications Act – Prescribed Classes of Property Regulations BC Reg. 438/81 with the exception of lands used or held for the purposes of, or for purposes ancillary to, the business of transportation by railway;</p> <p>AND WHEREAS ancillary rail operations such as transloading facilities are a heavy burden on local government infrastructure through trucking activity and movement of product and require a higher level of government support including fire services:</p> <p>THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Provincial Government be urged to review the Assessment Classifications in the BC Assessment Act – Prescribed Classes of Property Regulations BC Reg. 438/81 and that business for the purposes ancillary to railway operations including transloading facilities be reclassified as Class 5 Light Industry in order to create fair taxation from railway operations and further that, Section 5(e) be repealed from the Act.</p>	CAO	Develop draft preamble and forward to SILGA		in progress
R-2022-24	<p>THAT, Council direct staff to update both Grant in Aid Policy as follows:</p> <p>Grant in Aid – Individual/Organization - update policy to include spring and fall Intake date. Application will be considered twice per year at the first meeting in March and September applications must be received by Feb 29th and Aug 31st to be considered; and implement a bi-annual program promotion to advise community organizations of the pending intake.</p> <p>Unconditional Grant in Aid – update policy and remove the Chamber of Commerce clause, add requirement for updated Agreements at maximum 5-year intervals and update the Communities in Bloom Grant in Aid total to \$5,500.</p>	EA	Update policies as per motion and load to social media		completed
R-2022-25	<p>THAT, Council establishes a committee to review the Council Annual Remuneration Policy C-05-2021 as described in the Village of Ashcroft Indemnification and Council Remuneration Bylaw No. 824, 2018 and provide a report back for Council consideration; and further that the committee consist of the CAO, CFO, Cnlr. Tuohey and Cnlr. Davenport.</p>	EA	Set up committee meeting with CAO, CFO, Councillors Tuohey & Davenport to be reported at March 14 Council meeting		completed
R-2022-26	<p>THAT, staff submit an application for grant funding for the North Ashcroft Reservoir Twinning project through the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – Environmental Quality in the total amount of \$2,801,939.30; and THAT Council supports the project and commits to its share \$1,019,060.70 of the project, as well as cost overruns.</p>	CAO	Resolution completed and sent to CFO		completed
R-2022-29	<p>THAT, Council approves the Ash-Creek TV Society Grant in Aid request to repair damages sustained to equipment by vandalism in the amount of \$500.00.</p>	EA	Letter be done and Cheque Requisition for \$500 be issued & included with letter		completed
R-2022-30	<p>THAT, Council supports the Ashcroft and Area Resource Society Food Hamper Drive and approves the use of the Community Hall from December 13th – 17th, 2022.</p>	EA	Letter Approving use of Community Hall; book CH for those dates		completed

R-2022-31	THAT, Council supports the Girl Guides of Canada's - Guiding Lights Across BC initiative and that public works light up the Old Fire Hall on February 22, 2022 with blue lights.	DPW	Change globe lights at Old Fire Hall to blue for February 22, 2022		completed
R-2022-32	THAT, staff contact the TNRD advising: Ashcroft Council believes updating the TNRD Regional Growth Strategy is warranted in light of the changes due to the Provincially mandated Housing Needs Assessments, pandemic impacts and newly released census results.	EA	Letter to Regina Sadilkova, RPP, MCIP of the TNRD agrees to updating the TNRD Regional Growth Strategy		completed
R-2022-34	THAT, Council approves the BC Epilepsy Society request to proclaim March 26, 2022 as International PURPLE Day for Epilepsy Awareness in Ashcroft and that an article be included in the Village Newsletter to build public awareness.	AA	Administrative Assistant to include in the next monthly Newsletter.		completed
R-2022-35	THAT, Council direct staff to send a letter of reply to Ashcroft's Sister City, Bifuka Japan with a community update and include a copy of the new Ashcroft Pocket Guide.	CAO	A letter be sent to Bifuka including our Ashcroft Pocket Guide		completed
R-2022-37	THAT, Council adopt the amended Council Meeting Schedule as presented.	EA	Post to website		completed

COUNCIL COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORT

DATE: February 28, 2022
TO: Council
FROM: Mayor Roden

Assigned Committees:

Finance Committee
 Gold Country Communities Society (GCCS)
 Historic Hat Creek Ranch
 Cache Creek Environmental Assessment
 TNRD
 Municipal Insurance Association (MIA)

Alternate Committees:

Health Care
 Communities in Bloom (CiB)

Working Groups:

Economic Development/Tourism WG
 Storm Drainage & Run Off WG
 Trails Master Plan WG
 Fire Department Sustainability WG

February 14: Closed TNRD board meeting

February 16: Phone call with Interior Health

Had a phone call from IH President and CEO Susan Brown about the fact that overnight closures at the Ashcroft ED would be continuing. Brown said that a barrier to the reopening is the need for one more 1.0 FTE RN at the site. I offered to work with IH's recruiting department to create a community profile for Ashcroft highlighting what the community has to offer, in order to attract more health care professionals to the town.

February 16: Ashcroft Primary Care Services planning group

There were updates from the various working groups, and I provided information from my conversation earlier in the day with Susan Brown.

February 16: Friends of Historic Hat Creek board meeting

February 18: Interview with Radio NL

Spoke on the Brett Mineer Show about the recent announcement that the overnight closures at the Ashcroft Emergency Department are set to continue, even as other facilities that saw closures and reductions in January are returning to normal operations.

February 22: Phone call with Interior Health

Spoke with Interior Health about helping them prepare promotional material for Ashcroft, to be used for purposes of recruiting health care staff to the community.

February 23: Meeting with Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc Chief and Council (TNRD)

There was discussion around developing and signing a Letter of Understanding between TteS and the TNRD, similar to the agreement in place between TteS and the City of Kamloops.

February 23: Ashcroft Primary Care Services planning group

There was discussion around what a Patient Care Network model would look like in Ashcroft, including seven-day-a-week, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. primary care services with a mix of in-person and virtual care. It would also include the clinic ceasing to be (essentially) a private business with patients attached to a single named physician, and become a team-based centre with a mix of different health care professionals and patients attached to the clinic, not a specific physician. Transportation has been identified as a key component, with transport needing to be aligned to clinic scheduling and residents of the region made more aware of what transportation options are available.

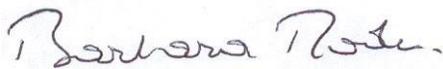
February 24: Open TNRD board meeting

The meeting took place after this report was prepared. Mike Simpson from the Fraser Basin Council and Kris Holm from BGC Engineering were scheduled to present about the Flood Hazard Assessment Project in the TNRD, and the board was to hear a report about the recent 2021 Census of Canada figures for the TNRD. The board was also to consider a floodplain exemption to allow a reduced horizontal floodplain setback and reduced vertical floodplain elevation than normally required under Part 4 of Zoning Bylaw 2400, to permit the construction of a new residence south of Ashcroft in TNRD area 'I'. It was also recommended that the board give first reading to Bylaw 2758 to amend Zoning Bylaw 2400 so as to enable the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) Regulation changes in the non-farm use category that went into effect on Jan. 1, 2022. These changes allow an additional detached dwelling unit in conjunction with the agricultural or horticultural use in various rural zones on both ALR and non-ALR land.

February 25: TNRD Committee of the Whole meeting

The meeting took place after this report was prepared. Topics for information/discussion included the tax implications of the increased property assessments throughout the TNRD and proposed changes to the Board Remuneration and Expenses Bylaw for 2022.

Respectfully submitted,



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