



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 4:30 PM ON MONDAY, JANUARY 14, 2019**

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. MINUTES

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3. DELEGATIONS

3.1. None

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8.10. Transit
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8.12. Health Care
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8.13. Seniors' Liaison
Councillor Anderson Alternate – Councillor Tuohey

8.14. Other
(Motion to receive both verbal and written reports)

9. CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORTS

9.1 None

10. CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER REPORTS

10.1 None

11. QUESTION PERIOD

12. INCAMERA

12.1. Motion to move In-Camera to discuss an item under the *Community Charter* Section 90.1(c) (Personnel) and an item under Section 90.1.(k) (Provision of service)

13. TERMINATION



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT

REGULAR MINUTES

**FOR THE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
OF THE VILLAGE OFFICE AT 4:30 PM ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2018**

- PRESENT:** Mayor Barbara Roden
Councillor Marilyn Anderson
Councillor Jonah Anstett
Councillor Nadine Davenport
Councillor Debra Tuohey
- J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer
Yoginder Bhalla, Chief Financial Officer
Public
- EXCUSED:** Wayne Robinson, Deputy Corporate Officer

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Roden called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

2. MINUTES

2.1. Minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held Monday, November 26, 2018

Mayor Roden declared the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held Monday, November 26, 2018 adopted as presented.

2.2. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, November 26, 2018

Mayor Roden declared the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, November 26, 2018 adopted as presented.

3. DELEGATIONS

- 3.1. Thompson-Nicola Regional District**
- Chair Ken Gillis and CAO Sukh Gill
 - Introduction and General Overview of TNRD
 - Jamie Vieira, Manager of Environmental Services
 - Update on Recycling
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Mayor Roden welcomed Chair Gillis and CAO Gill to Council. The gentlemen thanked Council for the opportunity to meet with them and congratulated Council on their recent election. The TNRD values their relationships with their member municipalities and it is important that everyone understand how a regional district operates. They provided an overview of the Thompson Nicola Regional District including the services that the Village of Ashcroft participates in. The Village of Ashcroft is the 4th largest member municipality in area and the 7th largest in population. The Village participates in 14 of the 117 services that are offered by the regional district at an annual cost of \$112 for the average household.

Mr. Vieira advised Council that the recent changes to the recycling program has caused a great deal of conversation and concern amongst residents throughout the entire regional district and the Village of Ashcroft is no different. He acknowledged that the current location of the recycling depot is out of the way and difficult for many residents to get to. This location is temporary and the TNRD is currently engaged in acquiring land to develop a permanent transfer station at a more convenient location. Mr. Vieira provided Council with the history of the recycling program, how the changes came about and why they had to be implemented in such a short time frame. Once the TNRD has secured a location the construction time for a transfer station is approximately 4 months.

Council thanked the gentlemen for their informative reports and for taking the time to attend a public council meeting.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

4.1. Interior Health Authority, Doug Cochrane, Chair, Board of Directors & Susan Brown, President and CEO – Congratulations to Mayor & Council on recent election

M/S Councillor Tuohey / Councillor Anstett

“That the letter of congratulations from Interior Health Authority be received and filed.”

Carried. (01-12-18)

4.2. Southern Interior Local Government Association – Call for Nominations 2019

M/S Mayor Roden / Councillor Davenport

“That the Southern Interior Local Government Association Call for Nominations be received and filed.”

Carried. (02-12-18)

Southern Interior Local Government Association – Call for Resolutions for 2019 Convention

M/S Mayor Roden / Councillor Anderson

“That the Southern Interior Local Government Association Call for Resolutions for the 2019 Convention be received and filed.”

Carried. (03-12-18)

4.3. Hon. Selina Robinson, Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing – Congratulations to Mayor and Council on recent election & Foundational Principles of Responsible Conduct

M/S Councillor Davenport / Councillor Anderson

“That the letter of congratulations from the Hon. Selina Robinson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing be received and filed.”

Carried. (04-12-18)

4.4. David Eby, Attorney General & Mike Farnworth, Minister of Public Safety & Solicitor General – Role of Local Governments in retail cannabis licensing

M/S Councillor Anstett / Councillor Tuohey

“That the correspondence from the Attorney General and the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General regarding the role of local government in retail cannabis licensing be received and filed.”

Carried. (05-12-18)

4.5. Information Correspondence Listing for December 10, 2018

M/S Councillor Tuohey / Councillor Anstett

“That the information correspondence listing for December 10, 2018 be received and filed.”

Carried. (06-12-18)

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1. None

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1. Communities in Bloom – Request for Approval of Mosaic celebrating 100th Anniversary of CN

M/S Councillor Tuohey / Councillor Davenport

“That Council approves the proposal to develop a mosaic to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of Canadian National Railway and further that the mosaic be installed on the north end of the Ashcroft Bridge if the necessary permits can be obtained.”

Carried. (07-12-18)

6.2. Northern Development Initiative Trust – Application for the 2019 Business Façade Improvement Program

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Anderson

“That staff be authorized to submit an application in the amount of \$15,000 to participate in the Business Façade Improvement Program through the Northern Development Initiative Trust during 2019.”

Carried. (08-12-18)

6.3. Northern Development Initiative Trust – Application for the Grant Writing Support Program

M/S Councillor Anderson / Councillor Anstett

“That staff be authorized to submit a Grant Writing Support Program application to Northern Development Initiative Trust for 2019 and further that the application be submitted prior to December 20, 2018.”

Carried. (9-12-18)

6.4. Subdivision and Development Servicing Bylaw & Land Sale Policy – Work Program and Budget

M/S Councillor Anderson / Councillor Tuohey

“That staff be authorized to request a work program and budget from Urban Systems Ltd. to undertake the revision of the Subdivision and Development Servicing Bylaw and the development of a Land Sale Policy and further that this information be brought forward during the 2019 – 2023 budget discussion.”

Carried. (10-12-18)

6.5. Gloria Mertens – November 26, 2018 – Presentation on Transparency & Accountability

M/S Councillor Roden / Councillor Davenport

“That the items brought forward by Ms. Mertens at the November 26, 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting and the subsequent staff report be brought forward at the budget discussions to be held in the spring of 2019.”

Carried. (11-12-18)

7. BYLAWS

7.1. Introduction and First 3 Readings

7.1.1. None

7.2. Reconsideration and Final Adoption

7.2.1. None

8. **REPORTS**

Council Reports

8.1. **Finance Committee**

Mayor Roden, Councillor Anderson, Councillor Davenport

No report.

8.2. **Northern Development Initiative Trust**

Councillor Anstett Alternate – Councillor Anderson

No report.

8.3. **Gold Country Communities Society**

Mayor Roden Alternate – Councillor Davenport

No report.

8.4. **Historic Hat Creek**

Councillor Roden Alternate – Councillor Anderson

Mayor Roden reminded Council that the Historic Hat Creek Annual General Meeting will be held at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, December 12, 2018 at the Hat Creek site.

8.5. **Cache Creek Environmental Assessment**

Mayor Roden Alternate – Councillor Tuohey

Mayor Roden and CAO Allen were unable to attend the recent facility tour.

8.6. **Thompson-Nicola Regional District**

Mayor Roden Alternate – Councillor Anstett

No report.

8.7. **Tourism**

Councillor Davenport Alternate – Councillor Anstett

Councillor Davenport advised that the committee will be reviewing the comments made at the visitors centre this past summer and may bring forward recommendations for the 2019 season.

8.8. **Economic Development**

Councillor Davenport Alternate – Councillor Anstett

Mayor Roden advised that 75 ballots had been entered into the Santa Madness Shopping Draw on Friday, December 7th. The response from the community had been very positive.

8.9. **Heritage**

Councillor Tuohey Alternate – Mayor Roden

No report.

8.10. Transit
Councillor Anstett Alternate – Councillor Davenport

Council was advised that the monthly trip to 100 Mile House on Monday, December 3rd was nearly at full capacity.

8.11. Communities in Bloom
Councillor Tuohey Alternate – Mayor Roden

Councillor Tuohey commented that the committee will be pleased that Council has approved their proposal for a mosaic to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Canadian National Railway.

8.12. Health Care
Councillor Anderson Alternate – Councillor Tuohey

No report.

8.13. Seniors' Liaison
Councillor Anderson Alternate – Councillor Tuohey

Councillor Anderson advised that she has been in touch with the local seniors association and that they will be holding a business meeting in January. She is hoping to have a meeting with the President of the association early in the New Year.

8.14. Other

Mayor Roden advised that there had been over 20 people in attendance at the TNRD Recycling presentation at the Ashcroft Library on December 4. Those in attendance heard much of the same information that Council heard this evening.

Mayor Roden and the Chief Administrative Officer met with representatives of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure on December 6. Items discussed included the status of the 10 Mile Slide on Highway 99, snow clearing on the bridge sidewalk, the intersection of Highway 97C and Highway 1 and the potential for turning lanes at the junction of Highway 1 and Cornwall Road.

M/S Councillor Tuohey / Councillor Anderson

"That Council approve the verbal and written reports as presented."

Carried. (12-12-18)

9. CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER REPORTS

9.1 No report.

10. CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER REPORTS

10.1 No report.

11. QUESTION PERIOD

Council was asked questions regarding possible resolutions for SILGA including train whistling on the CN lines, whether or not a member of Village administration has a BCeID number, if the Village had considered applying for grants to assist with accessibility concerns at the Village Office and why the Village chooses to use Urban Systems for all of our major projects.

12. INCAMERA

12.1. None

13. TERMINATION

M/S Councillor Tuohey / Councillor Anderson

"That the Regular Meeting of Council terminate at 6:03 pm."

Carried.

Barbara Roden, Mayor

Certified to be a true and correct copy of the
Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held
Monday, December 10, 2018.

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer

JMA/kdw

Ashcroft & Area
Community Resources Society
P.O. Box 843
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January 8, 2019

Mayor & Council
Village of Ashcroft
P.O. Box 129
Ashcroft, B.C. V0K 1A0

Dear Mayor & Council:

The Ashcroft and Area Community Resource Society (CRS) acts as an umbrella organization to the Christmas Hamper Drive. We would like to request the use of the Community Hall from December 17 to December 21, 2019.

Yours truly,

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Esther Lang, Chair
Christmas Hamper Committee

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The Corporation
Village of Ashcroft

Michelle Allen

From: info@civicinfo.bc.ca
Sent: Tuesday, December 18, 2018 10:34 AM
To: info@civicinfo.bc.ca
Subject: Message from the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia

This message is being sent by CivicInfo BC to all BC Local Governments on behalf of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia.

Subject: Call for Written Submissions - Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations
Intended Recipient(s): Mayors/Chairs/Chief Administrative Officers
Attachments: None. See message below.

MESSAGE:

Dear Mayor and Council / Chair and Board,

On November 27, 2018, the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia authorized the all-party Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations to conduct an inquiry into transportation network services (ride hailing services).

The Committee's Terms of Reference specifies that the Committee may only consider input on four areas of regulation. As part of its work, the Committee would like to invite you to provide a written submission focused on any or all of the following four topics:

- What criteria should be considered when establishing boundaries?
- How should regulations balance the supply of service with consumer demand, including the application of the Passenger Transportation Board's current public convenience and necessity regime as it pertains to transportation network services?
- What criteria should be considered when establishing price and fare regimes that balance affordability with reasonable business rates of return for service providers?
- What class of drivers' licence should be required for ride-hailing drivers to ensure a robust safety regime without creating an undue barrier for drivers?

Should you wish to participate, would you kindly provide a written submission in pdf or word format to CrownCorporationsCommittee@leg.bc.ca by **Friday, February 1, 2019**. Written submissions may be 500 words in length, with an additional 1000 words to answer each of the questions above for a maximum of 4500 words.

Submissions to parliamentary committees are considered public documents and may be published on the Committee's website or made available to interested parties upon request following the release of the Committee's report.

Further information on the work of the Committee, including a list of Members and the Committee's Terms of Reference, is available online at: <https://www.leg.bc.ca/cmt/cc>

If you have any questions about the work of the Committee, please contact the Parliamentary Committees Office at 250-356-2933 or CrownCorporationsCommittee@leg.bc.ca.

On behalf of the Committee, thank you for your consideration of this invitation. We look forward to your participation.

Sincerely,

Bowinn Ma, MLA (North Vancouver-Lonsdale), Chair
Stephanie Cadieux, MLA (Surrey South), Deputy Chair

cc: Susan Sourial, Clerk to the Committee

Select Standing Committee on Crown Corporations
c/o Parliamentary Committees Office
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Gold Country Annual Tourism Symposium and Fam Tour 2019

Gold Country Communities Society hosts an epic opportunity for our region to showcase it's dynamic, and unique rural communities with an Annual Tourism Symposium. 2019 marks the 6th annual two-day event that will be bursting with great activities, and informative presentations that are sure to enlighten and engage attendees.

Gold Country is **offering the opportunity** for a community to sponsor the event **May 3rd and 4th of 2019**.

Some of the highlights of the Symposium will include:

- Superhost – Gold Country offers a free workshop to all stake holders and employees in Excellence in Fundamentals. This day long workshop covers the basics of customer service and teaches participants how to excel at customer experiences. Limited seats available.
- Workshops - There will be interesting and informative workshops and break out groups hosted by Gold Country, Industry peers and leaders in Economic Development, advances in promoting Tourism, New Marketing Developments, Accessibility for all, Social Media, and how to grow with Technology. Previous presenters include – TOTA, CCCTA and Destination BC.
- Artisans - There will be workshops with Indigenous artists who will teach attendees such skills as drum making, carving, beading and pine needle basket weaving.
- Networking and socializing evening reception, with performances by local musicians.

Requirements for sponsoring the 2019 event:

- A facility with a capacity of 150 minimum, and that has tables and chairs.
- Additional space for break out groups, and workshops.
- An appointed committee who has an excellent working relationship with local businesses as they will be the point of contact for organizing a corresponding familiarization tour that will on May 3rd, 2019.

We generally encourage a \$2500 sponsorship of this event. Be creative as we are flexible with our plans and encourage your input!

Contact Executive Director Marcie Down at goldcountry@telus.net, 250-457-6606 for any questions or with your proposal.

2018-12-01

Village of Ashcroft
Mayor Barbara Roden

Bifuka has changed at an all white canvas. It is the season as snow falls and Christmas illuminations bring joy to one's eyes that I hope this finds you doing well.

We were able to receive a message in October of the results of the Ashcroft elections and I, as the community of Bifuka, am happy and send you congratulations.

During the election period I imagine it was an anxious time for you but I hope that you can take the strength of your community to stand and represent them proudly.

As it is a busy tie of year at year-end, please take care of yourself and we hope that the year to come is bright and positive for you.

Please receive this letter from us a a celebratory recognition of your achievement of becoming mayor.

Bifuka Mayor
Nobuo Yamaguchi

アシュクラフト村
村長 ローデン・バーバラ 様

2018.12.1

雪が降り積もり、クリスマスイルミネーションが目を楽しませてくれる時期となりましたが、いかがお過ごしでしょうか。
美深町は白一色に一面景色が色変わりしました。

さて、10月に行われました村長選挙で当選されたとのご一報が届き、私のみならず町民一同、喜んでいるところであり、心より御祝い申し上げます。

選挙中は、大変なご苦勞があったことと存じますが、村民の皆様のご期待にお応えできるように村政を導いていただければと心より願っております。

心せわしい年の暮れを迎え、何かとご多用とは存じますが、お体にお気を付けてお過ごしください。

また、あなたにとって来年が輝かしい年となることを願っています。

それでは、略儀ではありますが書面をもって村長選の当選祝辞とさせていただきます。

美深町長

山口 信夫

Box 1501
Ashcroft
28th December, 2018

Dear Mayor and Council,

Thank you for your happy holidays newsletter to me and the rest of Ashcroft residents, I would like to reply. I have a few points to make regarding your note "Pursuant to bylaw 753 it is 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 by me after 10 o'clock in any morning of any day."

If I dumped something of mine on the sidewalk and left it for a few days, I would be asked by Council to please remove it from VILLAGE PROPERTY.

Personally I find it easy to walk on nice cruchy snow. When snow is shovelled from the sidewalk it becomes more like an ice rink and almost need skates rather than boots to stay upright. Then I walk in the road instead.

Some people also spread salt to melt the snow. This is good as long as it is just salt. When it contains that pink/blue chemical it burns paws making my dog cry and wimper trying to walk without touching the ground. So now I have a choice. Pick her up and carry her, or again walk in the road.

Now for your rule that I have until 10 am to clear my sidewalk. Like over 50% of Ashcroft residents, I am a senior. I am 77 years old and you say I have to shovel my sidewalk? I dont think so. If you would like to come do it for me, have at it. As for me doing it, never going to happen. After all the sidewalk is VILLAGE PROPERTY.

If I were younger, fitter and willing to clear the snow from sidewalk, where on earth would I shovel it to? Your letter very kindly reminds me that it is unlawful to pile it into the street. What is a willing person meant to do? Wish it away, or maybe wave a magic wand and it will just vanish?

Thank you for taking the time to read my comments and opinions. I hope you can understand my point of view.

Happy New Year to you all
Sincerely,

Valerie Freestone

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The Corporation
Village of Ashcroft

P.O. Box 1232
Ashcroft, BC. V0K 1A0

January 8, 2019

The Village of Ashcroft
P.O. Box 129
Ashcroft, BC V0K 1A0

Dear Mayor Roden and Village Councillors:

I understand that bylaw enforcement is complaint driven and, therefore, wish to launch a complaint pursuant to Bylaw No. 753, Snow Removal: "It is unlawful for any person to permit any accumulation of snow or ice to remain upon any sidewalk in front of or abutting any premises owned or occupied by him/her after ten o'clock in any morning of any day."

My husband and I walk on a daily basis in the downtown core. We noticed that all but one property owner immediately cleared the snow on the sidewalk in front of or abutting their premises after the recent snowfalls in December. The empty parcels along Railway Avenue, between the Post Office and the Buffalo Station properties, remained uncleared for two weeks.

Besides not clearing the snow accumulation, no attempt at de-icing with salt or sand took place. The snow compacted and created a very slippery situation. We witnessed many people having difficulty manoeuvring through this section of the downtown core. This included many elderly people using canes, walkers and electric carts, whom could have had serious health implications had they fallen.

In addition to the safety issue, the lack of snow clearance creates an unsightliness to the downtown core and sets a poor precedence to other property owners. This ultimately does not do businesses in the downtown area any favours.

The Village of Ashcroft has done its due diligence by publishing the bylaw in both the paper and in its monthly newsletter and now needs to follow through on the next part of the bylaw for not following the regulation: "Except as in this bylaw is otherwise provided, any person contravening or committing any breach of or committing any offence against any of the provision of the bylaw or of the regulations or refusing, omitting, or neglecting to fulfill, observe, carry out, or perform any duty or fulfill, observe carry out, or perform any duty or obligation by this bylaw or by the regulation, created, prescribed or imposed, shall be liable, on summary conviction to a fine of not more than 350 dollars."

The snow has since melted and the sidewalk is once again clear, albeit by warm weather and not by owner compliance. I would like to suggest that should this issue arise again, and the owners are again in breach of the bylaw, that the Village assume responsibility for its citizens, do the snow removal, and charge the offending property owners the cost of the snow removal, up to \$350 as per the penalty stipulation.

My interest lies in keeping all pedestrians around the community mobile and safe. I hope that you share the same interest.

Yours truly,
Gloria E. Mertens

December 6, 2018
Village of Ashcroft
601 Bancroft Street
Ashcroft, BC V0K 1A0

Dear Mayor and Council,

Each year towards the end of January, hundreds of children and adults in Canada celebrate Family Literacy Week by participating in activities designed to promote reading and learning as a family. This special week communicates the important message to children and parents in our community that the reading and learning habits we develop at an early age set the stage for our success later in life.

The members of Bridging to Literacy are committed to seeing children and adults prosper. They understand the importance of learning through family activities, and wish to promote many types of literacy, physical activity being one.

I am writing to request that you proclaim the week of January 20, 2019 as Family Literacy Week in Ashcroft. An official recognition of this week as Family Literacy Week will serve to reinforce Ashcroft Council's commitment to literacy and to securing a solid foundation for our children.

As a partner in literacy, we would like to ask the mayor and council to donate the use of the Community Skating Arena for a free family skating afternoon on Friday, January 25, 2018 and would like to ask if you would put the information about this event in your Newsletter. I will be finalizing the weeks activities in early January.

We would also like to invite you to experience Family Literacy Day for yourselves by attending the activities we have planned in our area for the week of January 20, 2019.

Thank you for your consideration of this proposal.

Sincerely,

Jessica Clement
Literacy Outreach Coordinator
Bridging to Literacy
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December 11, 2018

Roden, B
Mayor
Village of Ashcroft
Box 129
Ashcroft, BC

Dear Mayor Roden,

RE: Invitation to the 152nd Clinton Annual Ball

The 152nd Clinton Annual Ball will be held on Saturday, May 18th, 2019, in the Clinton Memorial Hall.

The Annual Ball Committee is planning another fabulous evening of dining, entertainment and dancing and we are looking forward to taking advantage of the improved acoustics and stage in the Hall.

The Annual Ball Committee would be delighted to have you and your guests join us again for this special occasion. Tickets are \$75 each and can be obtained by calling 250-459-7069 or emailing tickets@clintonannualball.com. As only a limited number of tickets are still available, if you are able to attend we would appreciate knowing by February 15th 2019 how many tickets you require.

We look forward to seeing you at the Ball!

Sincerely,

Charlene Boscott, Chair
Clinton Annual Ball Committee

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The Corporation
Village of Ashcroft

admin

From: southern interior local government <yoursilga@gmail.com>
Sent: December-10-18 2:17 PM
To: Carole Fraser; Carolyn Black; Caylee Simmons; Christy Malden; City Of Armstrong; City Of Enderby; City Of Kamloops; City Of Kelowna; City Of Merritt; City of Penticton; City Of Revelstoke; City of Salmon Arm; City of Vernon; CSRD; District Of Barriere; District Of Clearwater; District Of Coldstream; District of Lake Country ...; District Of Lillooet; District Of Logan Lake; District Of Peachland; District of Sicamous; District of Summerland; District Of West Kelowna; Jan Johnston; kelly bennett; Maria Doyle; mary jane drouin; Melinda Stickney; polly palmer; RDCO; RDNO; RDOS; Rebecca Narinesingh; SLRD; Sun Peaks Resort Municipality; Tasha Buchanan; TNRD; Tom Kadla; Town Of Oliver; Town Of Osoyoos; Town Of Princeton; Township Of Spallumcheen; Trevor Seibel; Village Of Ashcroft; Village Of Cache Creek; Village Of Chase; Village Of Clinton; Village Of Keremeos; Village Of Lumby; Village Of Lytton
Subject: SILGA Community Excellence Awards
Attachments: Community excellence awards Nov 2018.docx

Good morning,

I have attached the nomination information for the SILGA Community Excellence Awards that should be forwarded to your council's or board's attention.

We received excellent nominations in 2018 and are looking forward to reading the submissions this year. Deadline for submissions is February 1, 2019.

Thanks, Alison

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SILGA

Community

Excellence Awards

Are you proud of your community or regional area's accomplishments? Would you like it to be recognized at our convention and more broadly through social media and the news?

To promote the environmental, social, and economic wellbeing of our member communities and to share ideas and best practices throughout the SILGA area, we have created awards to showcase a community in each of these categories.

To nominate your local government, simply provide a brief letter describing a fantastic project, event, or activity that you are proud of. A winner will be chosen in each category and presented an award during our AGM. We are intentionally making this process as easy and seamless as possible. If your community or area has excelled in any of the following categories, let us know:

- **Environmental Sustainability**
- **Social Responsibility**
- **Economic Development**

The Rules:

Nominations must come in the form of a letter to the SILGA Executive Director (no requirements as to length, and letters should be emailed).

1. Nomination Letters must be received by February 1st, 2019.
2. Letters must clearly state which award the nomination is for.
3. Nominations should be one page in length and should succinctly describe the project and itemize the beneficial outcomes. SILGA wants to share best practices in our region with the hope that every local government can learn from the winning submissions. In that regard, please provide contact information for the key individual(s) who worked on the projects/events.
4. These awards are for local governments, not individuals. Recipients must be SILGA members in good standing.
5. Nomination letters can come from anyone representing a local government, and there is no limit on the amount of nominations per community. An official resolution is not required.
6. Submissions from previous years may be reused.

What you get if your local government wins:

1. Your local government will be publicly recognized at the upcoming AGM.
2. A representative from your local government will have an opportunity to speak (5 minutes) to all assembled delegates about the project or event.
3. Your local government will receive a beautiful plaque to permanently display at your government office.
4. Award recipients will have their achievements highlighted more broadly through our social media channels, newsletter and via press release to the entire SILGA media network.

These awards are an opportunity for us to share best practices, to get others from local governments thinking outside the box, and to promote knowledge sharing amongst our members. It is our firm belief that our SILGA local governments continue to implement remarkable, unique projects that make their communities a better place to live time and time again. We want to make sure we share our successes as much as possible, so others might benefit.

**INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE
FOR THE JANUARY 14, 2019 COUNCIL MEETING**

Secwepemc Fisheries Commission

- Proposal Support

West Coast Environmental Law

- Your Local Climate Change Impacts and the Fossil Fuel Industry

Interior Health

- Invitation to Meet with Mayor and Council

E-Comm 9-1-1

- Introduction to E-Comm and congratulations to new Mayor

Gloria Mertens

- Sidewalk Maintenance Highway 97C Bridge 190-91 (Ref: 28119)
- Highway 97C (through Ashcroft, BC) needs a Pedestrian-Controlled Crossing (

BC Assessment

- December Media Campaign – Preview of the 2019 Assessment Roll

Municipal Insurance Association of BC (MIABC)

- Best Wishes from new Board Chair

Thompson View Manor Society

- Thank you to Village of picking up additional yard waste this past year

Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM)

- Gas Tax Agreement Community Works Fund Payment

Community Futures

- Santa Claus Parade and Best Wishes for 2019

Interlock Design Magazine

The Spin Magazine – Winter 2018

CHOA Journal Magazine – Winter 2018

Associated Engineering (AE) Magazine – Winter 2018

Transition Magazine – Winter 2018

Mineral Exploration Magazine – Winter 2018

Input Magazine – Fall 2018

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MEMO TO: Mayor Roden & Council

MEMO FROM: Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: January 9, 2019

SUBJECT: PROPOSED HOTEL MARKET STUDY PREPARED BY HVS CONSULTING

Background

In 2018 Council authorized staff to arrange to have a market study conducted to determine if the Village could support a new hotel development and, if it could, what the scope of the project might be.

Discussion

Administration contacted HVS Consulting and Valuation in North Vancouver and met with them on September 17, 2018. The CAO toured the community with Mr. Beckett and discussed the events that the Village currently hosts. In addition, we discussed the events that would be possible if suitable accommodations were available.

In November the draft report was received and was reviewed and discussed with the consultant. The final report was received later in November.

The summary of the study indicates that the Village would be a candidate for a 64 room economy or midscale hotel that is affiliated with a nationally recognized brand. The proposed hotel would feature 44 standard rooms, 20 suites, a breakfast area, meeting room, indoor whirlpool and business centre. It is suggested that it would be a three story structure with an elevator. The study does not specify a site however easy access to the highway and visibility attributes would make the site more attractive to customers.

The Village will not be undertaking this project so the next step is to make the study available to real estate brokers and investors.

Recommendation

Administration is seeking a resolution of Council authorizing staff to release the study to interested parties and other potential investors as the opportunities present themselves.

Respectfully submitted,



J. Michelle Allen,
Chief Administrative Officer

MEMO TO: Mayor Roden & Council

MEMO FROM: Wayne Robinson, DCO

DATE: December 13, 2018

SUBJECT: Application for funding through the NDIT to support the Love Ashcroft program

Background

The Village of Ashcroft has applied for the Love Northern BC Program (Love Ashcroft) annually over the past several years. Funding of \$1,200 is granted from the NDIT annually to administer the program. To date, there are 18 businesses subscribed to the program who each paid \$100 to join this initiative. For their fee, the businesses receive a web presence, professional photography, and are included in promotional programs administered by the 'Community Champion'. Love Ashcroft's Community Champion is the Deputy Corporate Officer, Wayne Robinson.

Discussion

In 2018, funding was used for two initiatives:

1. Purchasing card rack pamphlets to raise awareness of the program and its member businesses. The target of this promotion was summer tourists.
2. Radio advertisement was purchased for the months of November and December as well Love Ashcroft cloth bags were purchased for business owners to distribute to customers.

Staff would like to re-apply for the 2019 program funding to continue to offer the program for businesses that have already joined the program and potentially bring other eligible businesses on board.

Budget Implications

The Village is not required to contribute any funding toward this program, therefore the Village's budget is not impacted. Staff time is required to administer this program but only sporadically.

Recommendation

Administration recommends that staff be authorized to submit a grant application for \$1,200 through the Love Ashcroft program from the NDIT in 2019.

Respectfully submitted:



Wayne Robinson
Deputy Corporate Officer

MEMO TO: Mayor Roden & Council

MEMO FROM: Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: January 9, 2019

**SUBJECT: INVESTING IN CANADA INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM – BRITISH COLUMBIA
- COMMUNITY, CULTURE & RECREATION INFRASTRUCTURE – HOT TUB**

Background

In October 2018 Administration brought forward to Council information regarding the caption funding program. The recommendation was that the Village of Ashcroft submit an application for the replacement of the hot tub at the Ashcroft Pool.

Discussion

The Public Works Foreman has been in contact with hot tub providers both locally and in the Kamloops area and has had difficulty in obtaining quotes for the proposed project. We have received one quote from TW Dynamic Enterprises Inc. in the amount of \$175,000 plus taxes. This proposal would include a 15 person commercial fiberglass hot tub, wall mounted timer, thermal cover, a portable person lift and all related pumps, filters and plumbing costs. The funding program provides for 73.33% funding so the Village's portion would be \$46,655.

While this cost is more than we had anticipated, the hot tub closure at the pool has been the source of many complaints. The hot tub is used by older patrons who require it for therapy as well as the younger patrons who use it to warm up after their lessons or during long periods at the pool. The lift would ensure that patrons with mobility issues would be able to access the hot tub. The replacement of the hot tub has been brought up at public meetings and was mentioned during the recent election.

The new hot tub would be installed in a manner that would provide easy access to all of the plumbing which would allow ongoing maintenance to be carried out in an efficient and cost effective manner.

Recommendation

Administration is seeking the following resolution of Council to include with the ICIP – Community Culture & Recreation Infrastructure Funding Application:

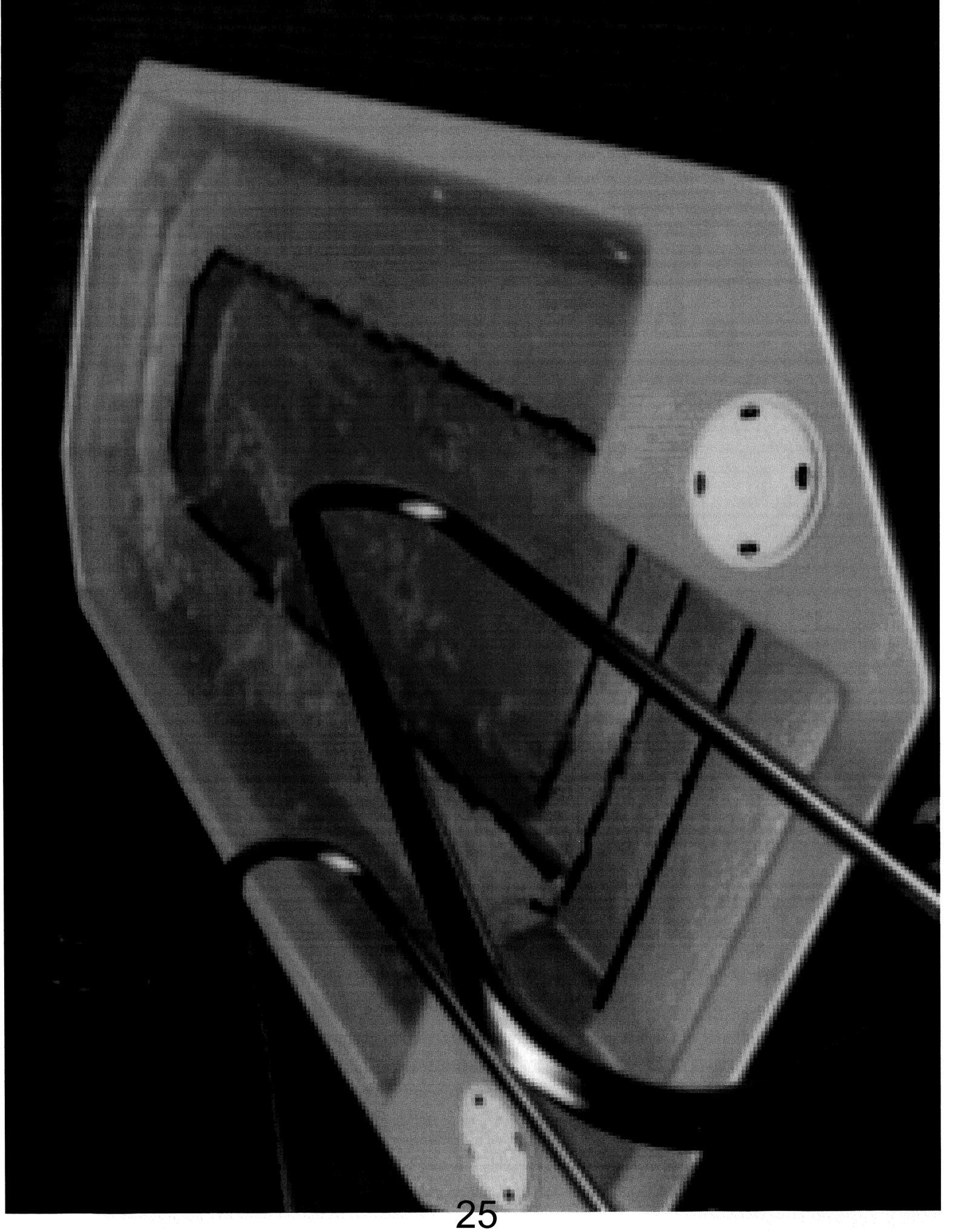
“That Staff submit an application for grant funding for the Ashcroft Hot Tub Replacement Project through the ICIP – Community, Culture and Recreation Program; and

That Council supports the project and commits to our share of \$46,655 for this project.”

Respectfully submitted,



J. Michelle Allen,
Chief Administrative Officer



MEMO TO: Mayor Roden & Council

MEMO FROM: Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer

DATE: January 9, 2019

SUBJECT: COMMUNITY CHILD CARE PROGRAMS – PROVINCIAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Background

The Village of Ashcroft has a shortage of licensed child care spaces which is causing issues for many of our local businesses and industries.

Discussion

Like most communities in British Columbia the Village is experiencing a shortage of licensed child care spaces within our community and surrounding area. The Province and UBCM have partnered to offer two funding programs for local governments to create more licensed child care spaces.

The first program, The Community Child Care Space Creation Program, is a program that awards funding to local governments who are creating new licensed child care spaces within their own facilities for children aged five and under with a focus on spaces for infants and toddlers. At this point in time the Village does not have an empty facility that could be renovated to accommodate child care spaces.

The second program, the Community Child Care Planning Program, is a program that will provide funding for local governments to engage in child care planning activities in order to develop a community child care space creation action plan.

Both of these programs will have intakes for the next three years with the first deadline being January 18, 2019. The time frame is too short for the Village to submit an application however Administration would like to investigate the second program and determine if it would be beneficial to develop a child care planning program. No resolution of Council is required at this time.

Administration has brought this information forward to Council for their information. A further report will be provided once staff has had the opportunity to investigate the programs further.

Recommendation

Administration has no recommendation, the report is provided for information purposes only.

Respectfully submitted,



J. Michelle Allen,
Chief Administrative Officer

From: MCF Info MCF:EX [mailto:MCF.Info@gov.bc.ca]
Sent: January-04-19 3:22 PM
To: 'admin@ashcroftbc.ca' <admin@ashcroftbc.ca>
Subject: Letter from the Honourable Katrine Conroy and the Honourable Katrina Chen

VIA E-MAIL

Ref: 241210

His Worship Mayor Jack Jeyes and Council
Village of Ashcroft
E-mail: admin@ashcroftbc.ca

Dear Mayor Jeyes and Council:

As we enter a new year, we would like to thank local governments for the important work you do to support communities and families throughout British Columbia. Many families across the province are looking for access to affordable, quality child care, and currently too many are struggling to find the care they need.

To support the expansion of affordable, quality and accessible child care throughout British Columbia, the province has partnered with the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) to offer two funding programs for local governments to help create more licensed child care spaces:

- The **Community Child Care Space Creation Program**, established with \$13.7 million in funding under the Canada-British Columbia Early Learning and Child Care Agreement, will award up to \$1 million to local governments creating new licensed child care spaces within their own facilities for children aged five and under, with a focus on spaces for infants and toddlers.
- The **Community Child Care Planning Program** will provide up to \$25,000 in funding for local governments to engage in child care planning activities in order to develop a community child care space creation action plan. Local governments who work together on applications will be eligible for up to \$25,000 per local government. For example, three local governments applying together for one project may be eligible to receive up to \$75,000.

The deadline for both programs is approaching quickly—be sure to submit your application to UBCM no later than January 18, 2019.

UBCM is administering both programs. These partnerships ensure that planning for child care spaces is done at the community level and that child care spaces are created where they are most needed; after all, local governments know their communities best. We encourage you to consider how you can take advantage of these programs to help meet the child care needs of families in your communities.

We understand that assembling a strong application takes time and would like to highlight that the Community Child Care Planning Program requires only a budget and council/board resolution in addition to the application form. To assist you in meeting the application deadline for these programs, we have enclosed a sample resolution to bring to your council or board.

If you do not have a project ready to meet the UBCM application deadline for the Community Child Care Space Creation Program, please also consider the Childcare BC New Spaces Fund, which has no deadline to apply. This fund offers up to \$1 million per facility for public sector partnerships with non-profit child care providers (as well as school boards and band or tribal councils or First Nations governments directly operating child care programs), and up to \$250,000 or \$500,000 per facility for all other types of organizations.

For more information about the community child care programs, visit UBCM's Web site or contact Local Government Program Services at 250 952-9177 or lgps@ubcm.ca.

As always, please feel free to contact the office of the Minister of State for Child Care with any questions at CC.Minister@gov.bc.ca, and visit Childcare BC for more information about the province's investments in child care.

Thank you again for the outstanding work you do for families in your community.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY

Katrine Conroy
Minister of Children and
Family Development

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY

Katrina Chen
Minister of State for Child Care

pc: Sasha Prynne, Programs Officer
Local Government Program Services, UBCM

Encl (below): Council or Board Community Child Care Resolution (SAMPLE)

Council or Board Community Child Care Resolution (SAMPLE)

WHEREAS there is a need for child care in the *[LOCAL GOVERNMENT NAME]*;

WHEREAS the *[LOCAL GOVERNMENT NAME]* support the creation of quality, affordable, child care spaces to help provide employment, relief for working parents and support a strong economy;

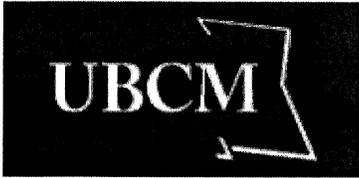
WHEREAS there are unprecedented funding programs now offered by the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM) and the Province of BC to help local government plan and build new child care spaces;

BE IT RESOLVED That the *[LOCAL GOVERNMENT NAME COUNCIL OR BOARD]* direct staff to apply for the UBCM Community Child Care Planning program to do a child care needs assessment and manage any funds received through this program,

Or

For collaborative projects only: BE IT RESOLVED That the *[LOCAL GOVERNMENT NAME COUNCIL OR BOARD]* support the *[LOCAL GOVERNMENT NAME COUNCIL OR BOARD]* primary applicant to apply for, receive and manage the grant funding on our behalf.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That the *[LOCAL GOVERNMENT NAME COUNCIL OR BOARD]* direct staff to investigate potential opportunities for use of the Community Child Care Space Creation Programs, and the Childcare BC New Spaces Fund, and come back to Council with a recommendation of ways to avail ourselves of this new funding opportunity to create child care spaces.



Child Care

Applications are currently being accepted. The application deadline for both programs is January 18, 2019.

In order to better meet the child care needs of families, the Province of British Columbia recently announced expanded investment in the child care sector totaling \$1 billion over three years. This includes \$237 million to improve access to child care, including funding the creation of 22,000 new licensed child care spaces.

The Ministry of Children and Family Development is providing \$3 million for the Community Child Care Planning Program. In addition, the Community Child Care Space Creation Program, funded under the Canada-British Columbia Early Learning and Child Care Agreement, will provide \$13.7 million to fund the creation of new licensed child care spaces in local government-owned facilities.

Both funding programs will be administered by the UBCM.

Community Child Care Space Creation Program

The Community Child Care Space Creation Program will provide funding to local governments to create new licensed child care spaces within their own facilities for children aged 0-5, with a focus on spaces for infants and toddlers.

- 2019 Community Child Care Space Creation Program & Application Guide [PDF - 553 KB]
- 2019 Community Child Care Space Creation Application Form [DOCX - 73 KB]

Community Child Care Planning Program

The Community Child Care Planning Program will provide funding for local governments to engage in child care planning activities in order to develop a community child care space creation action plan.

- 2019 Community Child Care Planning Program & Application Guide [PDF - 587 KB]
- 2019 Community Child Care Planning Application Form [DOCX - 68 KB]
- 2019 Community Child Care Planning Inventory - SAMPLE ONLY [XLSX - 4.5 MB]

Additional Information

- Community Child Care Planning & Space Creation Programs FAQ [PDF - 180 KB]

Contact Information

For more information contact Local Government Program Services at (250) 952-9177 or lgps@ubcm.ca.

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MEMO TO: Mayor Roden and Council

MEMO FROM: Yoginder Bhalla, Chief Financial Officer

DATE: January 9, 2019

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION FOR SHORT-TERM BORROWING FOR WATER TREATMENT PLANT

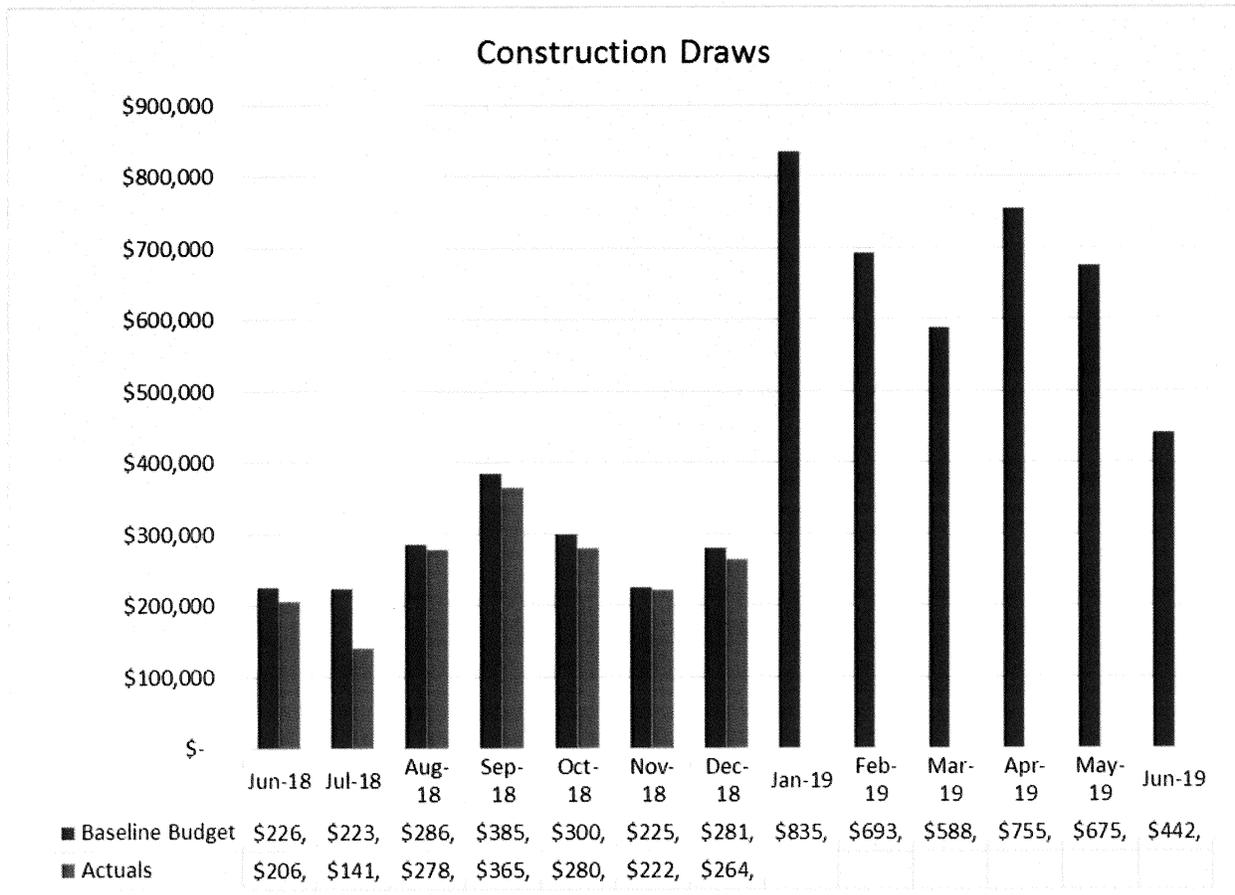
Background

In August of 2016, the village obtained assent from the electors to borrow \$4,128,739 for the water treatment plant.

Discussion

Since the inception of the project, the village has carefully and conservatively managed our cash position, delaying borrowing as long as possible. This has allowed the village to save a significant amount in interest costs.

Furthermore, the project is on budget with a number of risks and contingencies having been moderated thus reducing our outlay. Significant construction draws are anticipated in 2019 as the project moves towards completion. The construction draws are anticipated as follows:

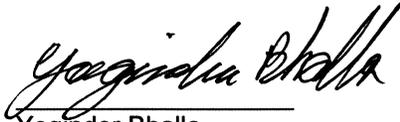


To keep the village liquid and to meet the anticipated draws, village staff requests authorization to proceed with short-term borrowing of \$2 million. The village has adopted a strategy of utilizing short-term borrowing until the project is completed, this allows the village to accurately determine the total borrowing necessary before rolling it into a debenture. Additionally, the village benefits from an interest differential of just over 30 basis points between the short-term rate and the current 10 year borrowing rate at the Municipal Finance Authority.

Recommendation

Administration recommends that the council introduce and give first three readings to the attached bylaw, to allow the village to borrow \$2 million from the Municipal Finance Authority in accordance with section 181 of the Community Charter.

Respectfully submitted,



Yoginder Bhalla
Chief Financial Officer

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THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT

BYLAW NO. 825

Being a bylaw to authorize temporary borrowing pending the sale of debentures

WHEREAS it is provided by section 181 of the Community Charter that the Council may, where it has adopted a loan authorization bylaw, without further assents or approvals, borrow temporarily from any person under the conditions herein set out;

AND WHEREAS the Council has adopted Bylaw No. 809, cited as "Ashcroft Water Treatment Plant Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 809, 2016", the construction of the Water Treatment Plant, in the amount of four million one hundred twenty-eight thousand seven hundred and thirty-nine dollars (\$4,128,739);

AND WHEREAS the sale of the said debentures has been temporarily deferred;

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

1. The Council is hereby authorized and empowered to borrow an amount or amounts not exceeding the sum of two million dollars (\$2,000,000), as the same may be required.
2. The form of obligation to be given as acknowledgement of the liability shall be a promissory note or notes bearing the corporate seal and signed by the Mayor and the Financial Administration Officer.
3. The money so borrowed shall be used solely for the purposes set out in said Bylaw No. 809.
4. The proceeds from the sale of the debentures or so much thereof as may be necessary shall be used to repay the money so borrowed.
5. This bylaw may be cited as "Ashcroft Water Treatment Plant Short Term Loan Authorization Bylaw No. 825, 2019".

READ A FIRST TIME THIS DAY OF , 2019.
 READ A SECOND TIME THIS DAY OF , 2019.
 READ A THIRD TIME THIS DAY OF , 2019.
 RECONSIDERED AND ADOPTED THIS DAY OF , 2019.

Barbara Roden, Mayor

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer

Certified to be a true and correct copy of Bylaw No. 825 as adopted by Council.

J. Michelle Allen, Chief Administrative Officer



THOMPSON-NICOLA REGIONAL DISTRICT

Highlights from the Thompson-Nicola Regional District [Board of Directors' Meeting of December 20, 2018](#)

The Current

December 20, 2018

Remembering Angelo Iacobucci

Chair Gillis opened the final Board meeting of 2018 by acknowledging the recent death of Angelo Iacobucci, Senior Investigative Reporter for CHNL. Angelo was a long-standing media extension for the TNRD over the years and will be deeply missed.

Delegation: Large Scale Screening Level Flood Mapping in the Thompson Watershed

A delegation to the Board was made by Mike Simpson, Senior Regional Manager of the Fraser Basin Council. He requested the Board's recommendation for the TNRD to submit a funding application to the UBCM Community Emergency Preparedness Fund to support flood risk assessment, flood mapping, and flood mitigation planning in the Thompson Watershed. [Read delegation request.](#)

Provisional Financial Plan Bylaw Adopted

The Board approved the adoption of the 2019-2023 Provisional Financial Plan, Bylaw No. 2667. The plan estimates a tax requisition of \$23,366,580, which is an overall decrease of 1.1% from the 2018 annual budget. This provisional plan will be refined in the New Year when tax assessment data for 2019 is provided by the BC Assessment Authority. [Read Bylaw.](#)

North Kamloops Library Closed for Renovations

The Board approved the closure of North Kamloops Library to undergo renovations in January. The updates will include a new welcome desk, an emphasis on self-service, and enhanced safety through the provision of a secure staff workroom space and the addition of security cameras. [Read Report.](#)

Fire Protection Services Agreement 2019 - City of Merritt and Lower Nicola Indian Band

The Board approved a one-year agreement for the TNRD to provide financial contributions for fire protection services within Electoral Areas "M" and "N". Further investigation of the scope of the services with the City of Merritt and the

Lower Nicola Indian Band is required before the Fire Protection service agreements are ready to be renewed for another full five-year term. [Read Report.](#)

McLure Fire Hall Transfer of Title to TNRD

The Board approved the transfer of property title for the McLure Fire Hall to the TNRD from the McLure Fire Fighters & Recreation Association. The Association has agreed to transfer the title for \$1, on the condition that the property will revert back to the Association if it is no longer required for community service purposes. [Read Report.](#)

Rural and Northern Communities Grant Application - Pritchard Water

The Board directed staff to submit an application under the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program - British Columbia - Rural and Northern Communities Infrastructure Program to support the construction of a water filtration facility and associated improvements on the Pritchard Community Water System. If the application is successful, the program would fund 100% of eligible expenses toward construction of a water treatment/filtration facility. [Read Report.](#)

Water Conservation Plan 2018 Update

The Board adopted the updated 2018 Water Conservation Plan for community water systems owned and operated by the TNRD. The plan will be used to promote water conservation within the TNRD and will assist in securing future infrastructure grants for water system improvements. [Read Report.](#)

The next Regular Board Meeting is on January 17, 2019 at 10:00 am.

Please note that The Current is not a substitute for the TNRD's Board meeting minutes, found on our website:



The Region of BC's Best

Ashcroft Communities in Bloom

Year End Report 2018

Ashcroft CiB group continued into 2018 as they left 2017, with people, plans, and projects at the forefront to encourage Ashcroft to “bloom” or be the best it can be. As in previous years, we had numerous projects with our young school population. These included planting potatoes and sunflowers with the K/1 classes, planting and learning about tomatoes with the Grade 4/5 classes, rock painting with the Early Learning Students and learning about the importance of honey bees with the distribution of Buzzing Bee flower garden seeds to the primary classes at DSCS. We feel these annual projects with the students help to foster interest in where our food comes from, gives them pride in learning new skills and engages them in activities within the community. It is due to these projects, together with mention of several others within the community, that Ashcroft Communities in Bloom applied for and were awarded a Youth Involvement Award at the 2018 CiB National Awards.

Our group chose to continue with a red and white theme for all the flower barrels throughout the downtown core. The red and white geraniums are not only showy, but hardy; they are able to live through dry and hot weather and continue their show long into the cooler weather of the fall. In 2018, we replaced 8 of the old wooden whiskey barrel planters with the environmentally friendly desert planters. Not only are these planters less time consuming for business owners and Village workers to maintain, they also conserve water through a reservoir/bottom watering system and produce superior floral displays due to the constant source of moisture. We will continue with the replacement of the old style wooden barrels and intend on purchasing an additional 10 in 2019, with businesses assistance. We currently have 52 barrels, 2 concrete planters at the museum, 3 brick planters at the historic firehall and 3 wooden planter boxes at CFDC Suncountry that we plant each spring. The business owners and village staff are all very proud of these floral displays and ensure that they are well cared for throughout the season.

This past year we were honored to work with the Rotary, Lions Clubs and the Village on the Harmony Bell project. This beautiful and meaningful structure is yet another wonderful addition to our community “landscape” and speaks directly to the CiB motto of “people, plants and pride.”

Our main focus for the past 8 to 9 years has been Heritage Park. This is, most definitely, the gem of our downtown core and to that end, the CiB group has worked hand in hand with the Village to refurbish and upgrade it. Although we had plans for the park and had budgetted accordingly, we were unable to carry out any of the plans due to the heavy workload and major projects that the Village workers were involved with. We do hope to be able to meet with Village administration and works department early in 2019 to determine our plans and how we can make them happen. The lights in the park have not worked for almost 15 years and we have attempted over the past several years to address this issue by suggesting various options. We are currently investigating lighting options in the hope we can offer the Village some researched suggestions that may be adopted. The last area to require upgrading in the park is the area surrounding the waterwheel and the adjacent pond. This is a large undertaking and will

require both planning and costing. We are hopeful that this may be done in a timely manner in 2019 so that we may research and apply for funding opportunities that may be available.

We have a number of new and additional projects planned for 2019, including new banners for the poles on Railway Avenue, a glass mosaic to commemorate CN's 100th anniversary, a pruning workshop, updating the Village's urban tree inventory and hopefully more work in Heritage Park.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrea Walker

Chair, Ashcroft Communities in Bloom

Ashcroft CiB
Summary of 2018 Income and Expenses plus Proposed Budget 2019 – To Village of Ashcroft
Fiscal Year to December 31, 2018

Category	Operating 2018	Trust 2018	Total 2018	Draft Budget 2019
Income				
Donations	787.45	0.00	787.45	300.00
Grant: For CN Mosaic (Tentative)	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,200.00
Grant: Second Time Around (Funds Rec'd)	0.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00
Interest Earned	1.23	0.00	1.23	0.00
Operating Grant	5,200.00	0.00	5,200.00	5,300.00
Other Income	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Re-Sale	130.00	0.00	130.00	50.00
	6,118.68	1,200.00	7,318.68	6,850.00
Expenses				
Conference 2018 (Edm. AB) (2019 NS)	350.00	0.00	350.00	400.00
Flower Barrels (Desert Planters) - 4 for '19	797.84	0.00	797.84	1,000.00
Flowers and Soil in Barrels	797.33	0.00	797.33	800.00
Incidental Expenses	56.22	0.00	56.22	100.00
Judges' Booklets Printing Costs	160.00	0.00	160.00	150.00
Judges Hosting Costs	845.08	0.00	845.08	1,000.00
Membership - National CiB	0.00	687.75	687.75	725.00
Millennium Park Landscaping	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00
Plaques, Storyboards, & Shields	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
Promos: Best Bloomin' Business Prog.	21.85	0.00	21.85	25.00
Promos: Community Celebration	90.00	0.00	90.00	100.00
Promos: Community Parades	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.00
Promos: Fall Fair Regis. + Sponsor	0.00	0.00	0.00	60.00
Promos: Flags/Banners/T-Shirts/Etc.	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
Promos: Insurance	10.00	0.00	10.00	10.00
Promos: Miscellaneous Costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.00
Promos: National CiB Conf 2018 (2019)	22.17	0.00	22.17	25.00
Promos: School Projects	53.22	0.00	53.22	100.00
Promos: Village Partner Barrels	0.00	0.00	0.00	175.00
Promos: Pre-School Rock Painting	54.24	0.00	54.24	50.00
Projects: Public Pruning Workshop	0.00	0.00	0.00	380.00
Projects: Tree Inventory	0.00	0.00	0.00	330.00
Projects: CN Mosaic (Tentative 2019)	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,200.00
Projects: New Street Banners (2019)	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,200.00
	3,257.95	687.75	3,945.70	11,025.00
Projected Surplus/Deficit 2018 (2019):	2,860.73	512.25	3,372.98	-4,175.00
Cash Balances On-Hand at Start of Year	100.00	1369.39	1,469.39	4,842.37
TR to Trust (2018 Excess Funds)	-2,860.62	2,860.62	0.00	
Estimated Net Cash Left at 18.12.31	\$100.11	\$4,742.26	\$4,842.37	\$ 667.37
* Need \$708.75 left at year end to register with CiB for 2019				