



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, MARCH 22, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Due to the Public Health Officer Ministerial Order M0192, the Regular Meeting of Council is closed to the public but will be broadcast by the HUB Online Network.

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, March 22, 2021 be adopted as presented.”

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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

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	N/A	

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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

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13. RESOLUTIONS RELEASED FROM CLOSED MEETING

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14. ADJOURNMENT



THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT

MINUTES

FOR THE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE VILLAGE OFFICE
AT 6:00 PM ON MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2021

PRESENT: Mayor, Barbara Roden
Councillor, Marilyn Anderson
Councillor, Jonah Anstett
Councillor, Nadine Davenport
Councillor, Debra Tuohey

Daniela Dyck, Chief Administrative Officer
Yoginder Bhalla, Chief Financial Officer
Brian Bennewith, Director of Public Works

Media – 2

EXCUSED:

CALL TO ORDER

Due to the Public Health Officer Ministerial Order M0192, the Regular Meeting of Council is closed to the public but will be broadcast by the HUB Online Network.
Mayor Roden called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

1. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Motion to adopt the Agenda as presented or as amended

M/S Roden / Anstett

“THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, March 8, 2021 be adopted as presented.”

CARRIED- Unanimous-R-2021-58

2. **MINUTES**

2.1	Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, February 22, 2021 M/S Roden / Davenport <i>“That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, February 22, 2021 be adopted as presented.”</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-59
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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.

Media:

Dana Foster – Sun Valley News introduced herself

Public Resident:

None

Public TNRD:

None

5. BYLAWS / POLICIES

5.1	N/A	
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6. STAFF REPORTS

REQUEST FOR DECISION		
6.1	CFO Report – Council Remuneration and Expense Report M/S Tuohey / Davenport <i>“That Council approve the report prepared in accordance with S. 168 of the Community Charter and provided for public information.”</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-60
6.2	CFO Report – Investment Management CFO Bhalla clarified the reason for the transfer of funds M/S Roden / Tuohey <i>“That Council approves reallocation of Short-Term Bond Fund to shorter duration instruments such as Money Market Fund or GIC or Savings Account.”</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-61

FOR INFORMATION		
	N/A	

7. CORRESPONDENCE

FOR ACTION		
7.1	Desert Sands Community School – Support for Bursaries for 2021 M/S Roden / Anderson <i>“That Council continues to support the DSCS and provide two \$500 Bursaries.”</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-62
7.2	School District No. 74 – Strategic Planning Flyer – March 2021 M/S Roden / Davenport <i>“Receive and file” Mayor Roden encouraged Council to complete the survey and provide the response</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-63

FOR INFORMATION		
7.3	Minister of Infrastructure and Communities, Hon. Catherine McKenna – response to Brad Vis, MP re: Ashcroft HUB Society	
7.4	Minister of Oceans, Fisheries and Canadian Coast Guard, Hon. Bernadette Jordan – response to Brad Vis, MP re: Bonaparte River Flooding	
7.5	TNRD Media Statement by Chair Gillis	
7.6	School District No. 74 – Trudy Rasmuson appointed as Secretary Treasurer	
7.7	Basque Vineyard BC Inc. – Notification of Application for Production of Cannabis located at 3580 Drinkwater Road noted	
7.8	Legacy Park Campground Upgrades - Grant Funding Approved	
7.9	Flip Chart Correspondence – March 8, 2021	
	M/S Tuohey / Anderson <i>“That the Information items listed above be received and filed.”</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-64

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1	Task Manager M/S Roden / Davenport <i>“That the Motion Task Manager be received and filed.”</i> <i>Councillor Anstett requested to move forward with the Burning Bylaw, CAO and Councillor Anstett will meet and bring a report forward for Council consideration at the next meeting.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-65
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9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1	N/A	
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10. REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES, COTW, COMMISSIONS AND WORKING GROUPS

10.1	Bylaw Enforcement Officer Working Group Minutes of February 23, 2021 For information	
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11. COUNCIL REPORTS

11.1	Mayor Roden – Report Noted COVID RoundTable	
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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	M/S Roden / Anderson <i>“THAT Council move to a Closed meeting under Section 90.1 (k) of the Community Charter.”</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2021-66
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13. RESOLUTIONS RELEASED FROM CLOSED MEETING

13.1	N/A	
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14. ADJOURNMENT

M/S Roden / Tuohey

“That the Meeting of Council for March 8, 2021 be adjourned from the Closed session at 6:47 pm”

CARRIED – Unanimous – R-2021-67

Certified to be a true copy of the
 Minutes for the Regular Meeting of
 Council held Monday March 8, 2021

 Daniela Dyck,
 Chief Administrative Officer

 Barbara Roden,
 Mayor



INFORMATION FOR DELEGATIONS

In order to appear before Council as a delegation, please take the time to complete this form. It will help you in providing Council and staff with an overview of your presentation and the key points you wish to bring to their attention. We ask that you keep your presentation to a MAXIMUM of ten (10) minutes so that there will be a reasonable amount of time for Council to address any questions that may arise. Delegations are generally scheduled for Committee of the Whole meetings that are held on the 4th Monday of the month, however exceptions are reviewed on a case by case basis.

1. Name of Organization or Group (if applicable): Anne McKague
2. Name(s) and title(s) of Person(s) making presentation: Anne McKague Hanah Frances
3. The topic of your presentation: Vision Check for Ashcroft.
4. What are you seeking from Council as a result of your delegation's presentation? (i.e. funding, a letter of support, a change in a bylaw or policy, to provide information only):
Provide information; suggest course of action that conforms to the Strategic Plan 20-21; initiate dialogue between town council and village volunteers.
5. If you or your group are seeking some form of financial assistance, please explain why you feel that the Village should be funding your request:

6. If seeking financial assistance please attach a budget for your project and expected sources of revenue.
7. If you require a power-point projector or other presentation tool, please advise staff in advance. Paper copies of your presentation should be brought as back up in case of system failure.
8. If you have additional printed materials that you would like Council to read as support for your presentation, please have 7 copies delivered to the office NO LATER THAN the Thursday morning prior to your date of presentation. This will ensure that all Council members receive your materials prior to the meeting and can be better informed as to the background of your presentation.
9. Date requested to make presentation: Monday March 22/21
Alternate date (if necessary): _____
10. You should not expect a decision from Council the same night as your presentation unless it is a time sensitive item.

Thank you for taking the time to prepare yourself and Council members for your presentation. This form and attachments can be dropped off at the Village Office or emailed to admin@ashcroftbc.ca

STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL – OPEN MEETING

DATE: March 22, 2021
FROM: Daniela Dyck, Chief Administrative Officer – On Behalf of Councillor Anstett
SUBJECT: **Burning Bylaw – Consideration of Public Engagement**

Purpose

This report is for the sole purpose of providing Council with an opportunity to discuss Motion R-2020-86 deferring discussion of the Outdoor Burning Bylaw until the public is able to participate, and consider alternate methods to engage the public.

Recommendation

Alternatives

Background

At the January 27, 2020 Regular Meeting of Council, through a “Notice of Motion” Councillor Anstett asked Council for reconsideration of the Village of Ashcroft Outdoor Burning Bylaw No. 811, 2017. A staff report was presented to Council at the March 23, 2020 Regular Meeting where the following motion was resolved:

“That Council defer the Outdoor Burning Bylaw Report until the COVID-19 pandemic is over and public is able to attend scheduled Council meetings.”

Councillor Anstett has asked that Council reconsider deferring the Bylaw discussion as most members of the public are now comfortable with alternate forms of public engagement as was recently demonstrated by School District #74.

Discussion

To enable public consultation prior to reconsidering the Village of Ashcroft Outdoor Burning Bylaw No. 811, 2017, Council deferred reconsideration indefinitely due to the COVID-19 Public Health Order banning public gatherings. Since the deferral other methods of public engagement are increasing in popularity, as such, Councillor Anstett would like Council to consider using a virtual public forum to engage residents in the discussion of Outdoor Burning. Recognizing that not all residents participate or are comfortable using virtual media, it is suggested that a community mail out survey be sent to the residents of Ashcroft as an additional means of public engagement and an article be included in the Village Newsletter to raise public awareness.

Councillor Anstett has brought the Notice of Motion forward to the Fire Departments in Ashcroft and Cache Creek, attached to the report are letters of support from both departments to move forward with the discussions.

Strategic/Municipal Objectives

N/A

Legislative Authority

Community Charter
Fire Services Act

Financial Implications

N/A

Attachment Listing

Letters of Support

Respectfully Submitted by:



Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

On behalf of
Councillor Jonah Anstett



ASHCROFT FIRE RESCUE

PHONE: 250-453-2233 FAX: 250-453-2260
EMERGENCY ONLY: 911

PO BOX 129
ASHCROFT, BC V0K 1A0

EMAIL: firedept@ashcroftbc.ca

To Mayor and Council,

As Acting Fire Chief, I fully support the proposed plan to re-evaluate the burning bylaw. I believe with open discussion using modern forums we can get a good idea of the thoughts of the citizens.

It will be important to have a community education program to ensure safe burning practices are followed. A community education sign may be wanted for when burning bans are put in place during summer months.

With the Bylaw Officer position coming in I believe it will also not burden the Fire Dept with excessive calls either.

ASHCROFT FIRE RESCUE

PHONE: 250-453-2233 FAX: 250-453-2260
EMERGENCY ONLY: 911

Tyler Bell

EMAIL: tylerbell@ashcroftbc.ca

Fire Chief, Ashcroft Fire Rescue

RECEIVED

THE CORPORATION VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT
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March 19, 2021

To whom it may concern:

I was asked to offer a letter of support regarding open burning in Ashcroft. Cache Creek has always had a very successful open burning program in place, which requires residents to apply for a free, 3 day burning permit. These permits are then copied and emailed to my phone, allowing the Fire Department to know exactly when and where open burning is taking place. To date, I can't recall any permitted open burning that has required attendance by the Fire Department.

Open burning also plays a huge role in live fire training for the Fire Department as well. Being a small community with limited funding, we cannot afford to use the live fire training facility that Kamloops has. Being able to safely reproduce real fire events has proven to be invaluable to our members. Also, allowing the Fire Department to conduct pre-emptive burning to reduce excessive ground fuels is just another step in protecting the community.

Regarding campfires, as we have a very active RV/campsite in our municipality, we maintain a great working relationship with its owners, and have never had an issue with them.

We currently follow all of Kamloops Fire Center's recommendations when it comes to the different levels of fire bans.

Lastly, I commend and endorse public consultation regarding this sometimes contentious issue.

If you have any questions regarding our position on open burning, please feel free to contact me.

Regards,

Tom Moe
Fire Chief
Cache Creek Volunteer Fire Department

STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL – OPEN MEETING

DATE: March 22, 2021
FROM: Daniela Dyck, Chief Administrative Officer
SUBJECT: Public Request to Include Question Period at End of Agenda

Purpose

At the February 22, 2021 Regular Meeting of Council, Council was asked to consider modeling public input similar to that of School District #74 Gold Trail. This report is to provide Council the opportunity to discuss the question.

Recommendation

No recommendation – for discussion

Alternatives

Discussion

SD#74 Gold Trail's agenda is structured to allow Public Forum at the beginning of the Open Meeting and a Question Period after adjournment.

The Public Forum allows:

“any person, wishing to address the Board on a particular agenda item, shall fill their name and the agenda item concerned on the form provided and present it to the Secretary Treasurer before the meeting begins so that times can be scheduled for speakers.”

Question Period allows:

“Comments and questions may deal with any topic related to the work of the district.”

The Board of Education addresses questions in the following manner:

“Other than answering simple questions of fact, the Board will not normally act upon any concern or request brought forward at the same meeting. Questions may be referred to the district staff for further investigation and report, or the Board may place the matter on the agenda of a subsequent meeting for discussion and action.”

All italic text was copied directly from SD#74 Bylaw 5.1- Public Participation at Board Meetings

Any changes to the Council Agenda will require an amendment to the Council Procedures Bylaw. The current bylaw adopted in April 2020 replaced Question Period with Public Input and moved it to the beginning of the Council meeting enabling public participation prior to Council discussing and voting on the agenda item. It is not a common practice for Council Agendas to have multiple opportunities for public input, nor is it a common practice to allow comments, suggestions and question in regards to any topic unrelated to the agenda.

Strategic/Municipal Objectives

Transparency and public participation

Legislative Authority

Community Charter
Council Procedures Bylaw

Financial Implications

N/A

Attachment Listing

N/A

Respectfully Submitted by:



Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL

DATE: March 22, 2021
FROM: Brian Bennewith, Director of Public Works & Yogi Bhalla, CFO
SUBJECT: Sand Separator Tender

Purpose

Approval of Tender for the Sand Separator project.

Recommendation

That Council approve the lowest cost tender as recommended by the Village's Engineers, Urban Systems from Drake Excavating Ltd. in the amount of \$233,900.00.

Alternatives

N/A

Discussion

Four (4) contractors attended the scheduled site meeting, of those contractors two (2) bid submissions were received by Urban Systems Kamloops Office by 2:00 pm on March 16, 2021 for the Sand Separator project. Both bid submissions are compliant and met the tender requirements and both proponents list the local businesses as subcontractors.

Based on the attached summary from Urban Systems, and in our review of the tenders we agree that Drake Excavating Ltd. should be awarded the contract.

Strategic/Municipal Objectives

Financial Stewardship

Legislative Authority

N/A

Financial Implications

Sand Separator Budget

Attachment Listing

Tender Summary

Prepared by:



Brian Bennewith,
Director of Public Works



Yogi Bhalla,
Chief Financial Officer

Approved for submission to Council



Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

March 17, 2021

File: 1093.0055.01-T

The Village of Ashcroft
P.O. Box 129
Ashcroft B.C. V0K 1A0

Attention: Yoginder Bhalla, Chief Financial Officer

**RE: VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT - WTP SEPARATOR PROJECT
TENDER REVIEW LETTER**

Two (2) bid submissions were received at the Urban Systems Kamloops Office by 2:00 pm on March 16, 2021, for the above referenced project. We reviewed the Bid submissions for compliance with the contract documents and mathematical errors. All Bid submissions were found to be compliant. Please find below a summary of our review:

Submitted By		Total Bid Price (Including Contingency)
1.	Drake Excavating Ltd.	\$ 233,900.00
2.	Cummings Construction Ltd.	\$ 318,907.44

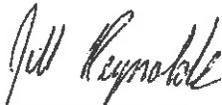
The lowest Bid price, received from Drake Excavating Ltd., was \$233,900.00 (including contingency and Cash Allowances and Optional Work but excluding GST). A CCDC 2 lump sum contract was selected for this project, so a detailed breakdown of project costs is not available at this time. This will be requested as part of the Notice of Award that will be forwarded to the selected Contractor once we have received Council approval.

Based on the above summary, Drake Excavating Ltd, should be awarded the Contract for the Village of Ashcroft, WTP Separator project for the amount of \$233,900.00, excluding GST.

Please confirm that you are in agreement with the above. Once you have notified us, we will forward a Notice of Award to Drake Excavating Ltd.

Sincerely,

URBAN SYSTEMS LTD.



Jill Reynolds, EIT
Consultant

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Jonathan X. Côté
Mayor

March 5, 2021

The Honourable Melanie Mark
Minister of Tourism, Arts, Culture and Sport
PO Box 9082, Stn Prov Govt
Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

Dear Minister Mark:

Re: Support for Laid-off Hotel and Tourism Industry Workers

I am writing to ask that the BC government protect the livelihoods of laid-off hotel and tourism industry workers and their rights to return to their jobs when the pandemic eases. These rights are at risk as there are reports of hotels refusing to commit to bringing workers back to their jobs when business returns. To this end, on March 1, 2021, the New Westminster City Council passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS the COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated existing inequalities and its social, health, and economic impacts are particularly devastating for women and racialized communities;

AND WHEREAS the tourism and hospitality industries have been drastically impacted;

AND WHEREAS of the 50 000 hotel workers that were laid off in March 2020, the majority are women and people of colour;

AND WHEREAS the duration of the pandemic means that recall rights require extension;

AND WHEREAS there are reports of hotels in British Columbia refusing to commit to bringing workers back to their jobs when business returns;

AND WHEREAS the City of New Westminster is committed to a COVID recovery plan that takes better care of people, the environment, and the community than the systems we had before the pandemic;

AND WHEREAS the City of New Westminster recognizes hotel workers and people who work in the tourism industry as valued and valuable members of our community;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City of New Westminster affirms that people should not lose their livelihoods due to the pandemic; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City of New Westminster write to the Ministers of Labour and Tourism expressing our support for the right for laid off workers to return to their jobs when the pandemic eases; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this letter be forwarded to all BC municipalities asking to write their support; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City of New Westminster writes to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association and Union of BC Municipalities encouraging them to host future conferences and events in venues that respect worker rights and pay at least a living wage.

We appreciate your consideration of this important matter.

Yours truly,



Jonathan X. Cote
Mayor

Cc: Hon. Harry Bains, Minister of Labour
All BC municipalities

THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN

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March 5, 2021

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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

File: 0320-20-01

The Honourable Patty Hajdu

sent via email

House of Commons
Ottawa, Ontario,
Canada
K1A 0A6

Patty.Hajdu@parl.gc.ca

Re: Support for 988 Crisis Line

Please be advised that at the Monday, March 1, 2021 Regular Council Meeting, the Township of Spallumcheen Council passed the following resolution:

“THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council pass the following motion and direct a letter indicating such support to the local MP, MPP, Federal Minister of Health, the CRTC and local area municipalities as outlined in the letter from Member of Parliament Mel Arnold, North Okanagan - Shuswap for support for a National Suicide Prevention Hotline:

WHEREAS the Federal government has passed a motion to adopt 988, a National three-digit suicide and crisis hotline;

AND WHEREAS the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has increased the demand for suicide prevention services by 200 percent;

AND WHEREAS existing suicide prevention hotlines require the user to remember a 10-digit number and go through directories or be placed on hold;

AND WHEREAS in 2022 the United States will have in place a national 988 crisis hotline;

AND WHEREAS the Township of Spallumcheen Council recognizes that it is a significant and important initiative to ensure critical barriers are removed to those in a crisis and seeking help;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council endorses this 988 crisis line initiative.”

Council understands, now more than ever, that Canadians may need access to additional resources amidst the COVID-19 pandemic. It is imperative, we as elected officials, do everything that we can to help everyone come out stronger on the other side of this unprecedented and challenging time.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, if you have any questions in this regard please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "C Fraser".

Christine Fraser
Mayor

cc. Member Municipalities
MP Todd Doherty
MP Mel Arnold
Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC)

Notice of Project

To: Mayor Barbara Roden, and Council at the Village of Ashcroft

From: Glencore Canada Corporation

Date: March 10, 2021

Re: Notification of application for Crown Land Tenure for Brenda Mine site (Tracking Number: 100335369)

This letter is to provide an update on the ongoing Brenda Renewables project at the former Brenda mine site.

Glencore Canada Corporation (Glencore) has submitted an application to receive Crown Land Tenure through the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (FLNRORD) to move forward with the development of an organic waste recycling facility. This follows an additional application made in October 2020 to amend the Brenda Mines Site M-12 permit. A preliminary Waste Discharge Authorization (WDA) has also been submitted and we are now compiling the final application. The amended M-12 permit will allow the composting facilities to be regulated as a composter rather than as a mine. The WDA allows for the installation of a compost and complimentary anaerobic digestion facility within the site boundary of the Brenda Mine site.

The new compost facility, which is being jointly proposed by Glencore and Brenda Renewables Ltd, will produce Class A compost for use in the remediation of previously disturbed lands. Renewable natural gas will also be produced. This facility will be located on a small portion of the crown land within this tenure, with most of the closed mine site governed by a BC Ministry of Energy Mines and Low-Carbon Innovation (EMLCI) permit that enables continued reclamation and water treatment activities. This notice is to provide you with additional information as we expect that EMLCI, FLNRORD and Ministry of Environment and Climate Change will also contact you as part of their consultation process.

About Brenda Renewables

Brenda Mines is a former copper-molybdenum mine located in the southern interior of British Columbia. The site is approximately 22 kilometers west of Peachland in the Central Okanagan, with access directly through an interchange on Highway 97C. After 20 years of operation, Brenda Mines was officially closed in June 1990 due to depleted ore reserves. Site reclamation activities began in 1988, which included contouring and terracing of rock piles, aerial seeding and fertilization, and irrigation of newly planted areas. Now, Glencore wants to build upon these site management and remediation efforts by implementing this proposed project.

The Brenda Renewables Project will be developed over three phases and will operate for approximately 20 years. The overall objective of the project is to provide organic waste management services to the region and enhance and stabilize the previously reclaimed areas of

the Brenda Mine site. During Phase 1 of the project, Brenda Renewables will construct and operate a pilot composting facility. Once the composting feedstock and product characteristics have been developed for use at the Brenda Mine site, the Brenda Renewables Project envisions construction of anaerobic digestion facilities and additional capacity (Phase 2 and 3) to support the receipt of a broader range of organic materials from surrounding communities, increase the production of compost, and to produce Renewable Natural Gas (RNG).

Glencore will remain responsible for the site as required under the provincial regulatory framework for closed mine sites while Brenda Renewables Ltd. will design, construct, and operate the facility. The Brenda Renewables project will involve the construction of a facility on approximately two hectares of the 780-hectare Brenda Mines site (see maps attached). The composting system is being designed to be in line with regulations set by the province and local communities with regards to odour, noise and liquid emissions. For further information about the Brenda Renewables project, we invite you to visit www.brendarenewables.ca.

The Brenda Renewables team would be pleased to meet with you to answer any additional questions you may have and provide an updated presentation on the project. We can also offer visits to the Brenda Mines sites, in addition to other sites where Brenda Renewables is already operating anaerobic digester systems and compost facilities.

If you have any questions, or require any further information, please don't hesitate to contact Kim Haakstad at khaakstad@globalpublic.com.

Additional Information for Communities:

Brenda Renewables proposes to construct and operate an anaerobic digester system and associated compost facility. The proposed facility would offer significant local benefit because it is:

- Located close to communities, but without its operations having a direct impact;
- On a controlled site with no public access; and,
- Located on previously disturbed land with no new disturbances.

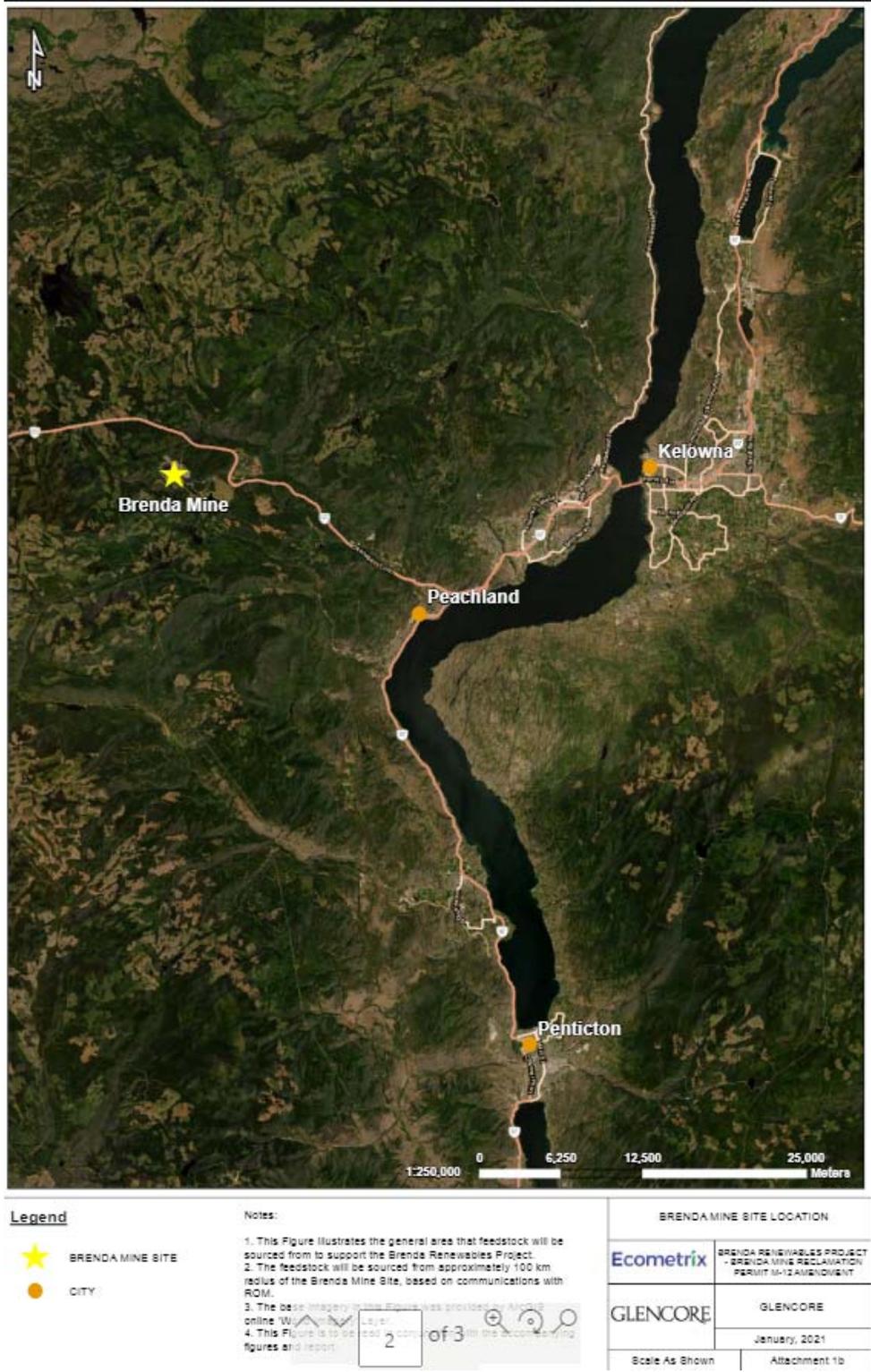
The Facility is safe, sustainable and will:

- Utilize up to 150,000 tonnes of local organic waste;
- Enter long term contracts with communities and First Nations in the Okanagan region for acceptance of organic inputs;
- Accelerate reclamation of the mine site;
- Produce up to 170,000 GJ/year of renewable natural gas to be used in Fortis BC's local residential natural gas system; and,
- Produce a Class A compost to be land-applied to help enhance site re-vegetation of the 780-hectare mine site.

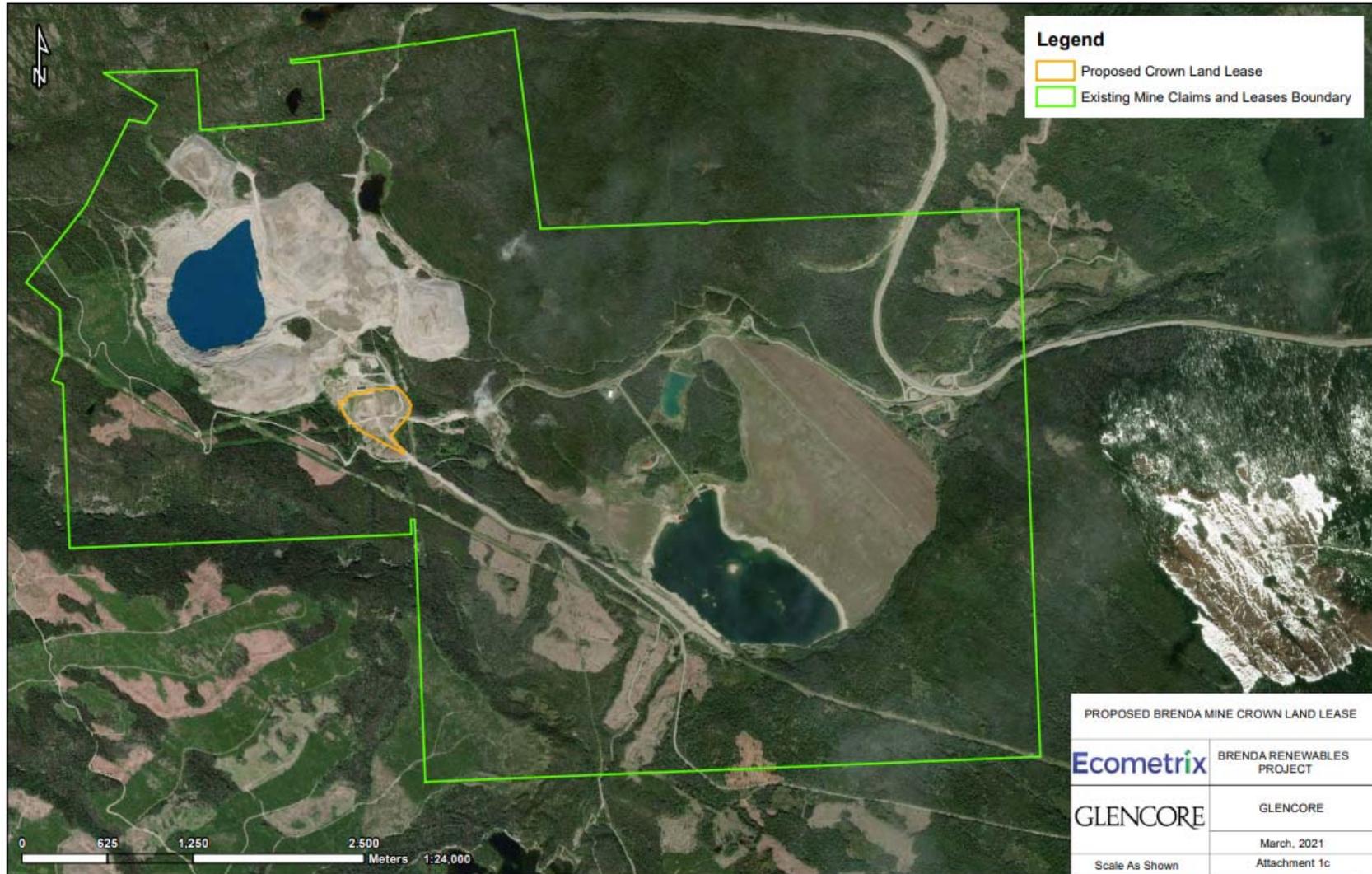
Appendix A: Brenda Site Location in Southern British Columbia



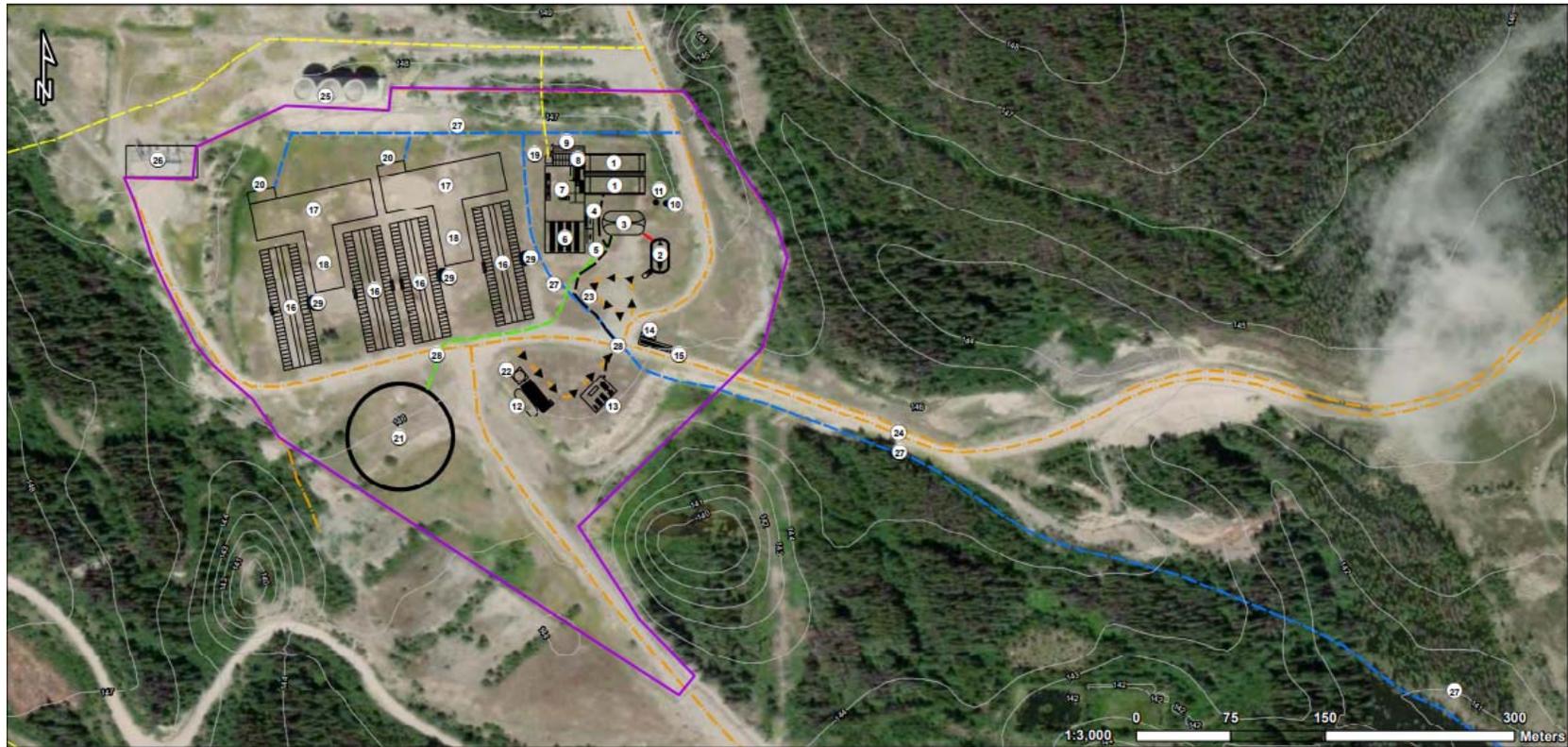
Appendix B: Brenda Mine Location in Central and Southern Okanagan



Appendix C: Crown Land Lease



Appendix D: Brenda Renewables Site Map with Crown Lease



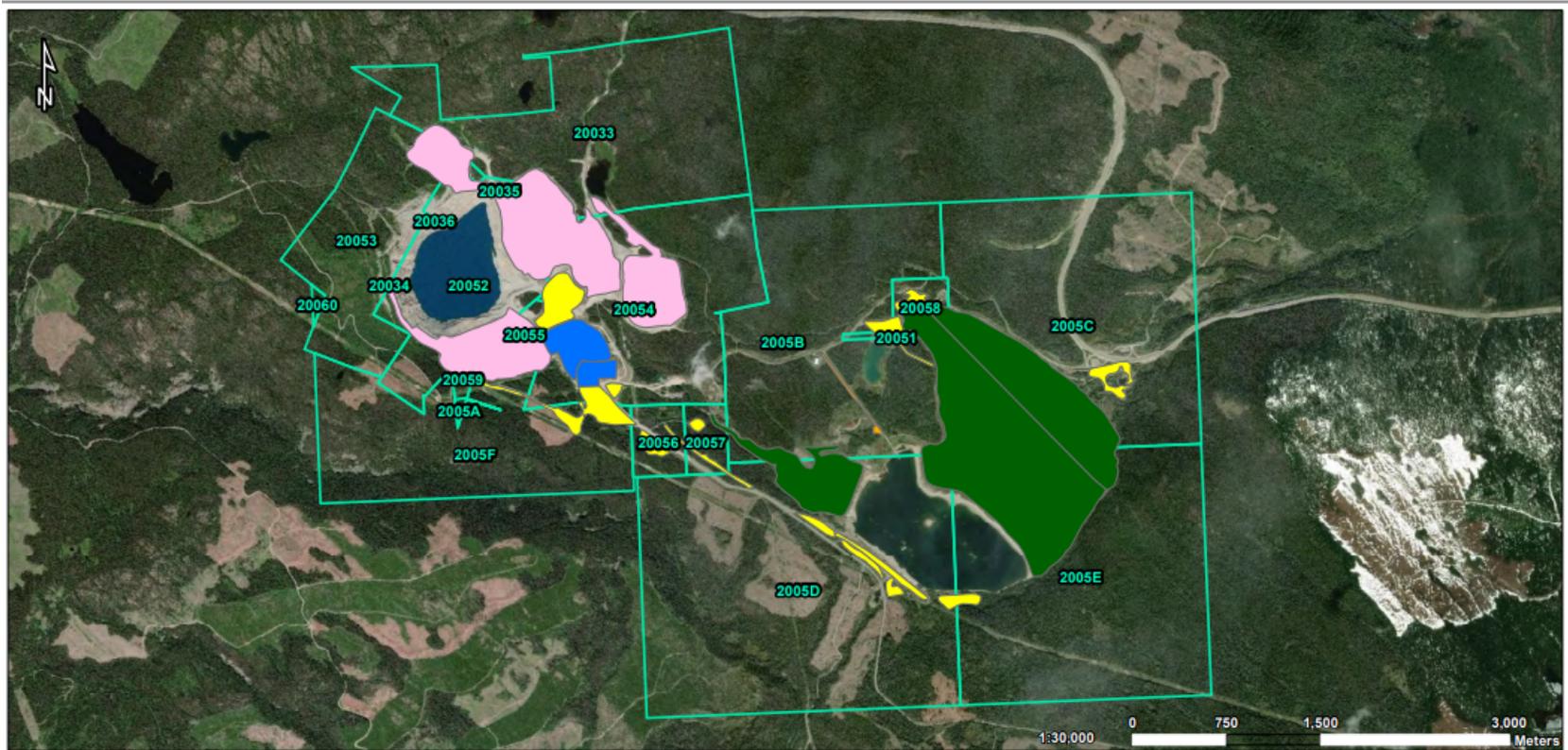
Legend

① INTEGRATED HSAD SYSTEM (2100 m ³)	② PROCESSING BUILDING	⑬ BIOGAS UPGRADER	⑳ TRANSFORMER	㉔ EXISTING SILOS (UNUSED)	█ PROPOSED CROWN LAND LEASE
② HYDROLYZER TANK WITH CHUTE (800 m ³)	④ DEWATERING	⑭ SITE OFFICE (40ft CONTAINER)	㉑ STORMWATER BASIN	㉕ ELECTRICAL STATION (EXISTING)	— PIPELINE (GAS)
③ WET ANEROBIC DIGESTER (2500 m ³)	⑤ BIOFILTER	⑮ TRUCK SCALE	㉒ STORAGE LAGOON (28,400 m ³)	㉖ DRAINAGE DITCH	— PIPELINE (LIQUID)
④ HEATING, ELECTRICAL, CONTROLS	⑥ SAFETY FLARE	⑯ COMPOSTING BUILDING (95m x 30m)	㉓ FUEL STORAGE	㉗ HDPE CULVERT	— DIGESTATE PIPELINE
⑤ WOOD FIRED BOILER (12 m CONTAINER)	⑦ CONDENSATE WELL	⑰ IMPERMEABLE CURING PAD	㉔ TRUCK TURNAROUND	㉘ SITE DRAINAGE	— HYDRO CORRIDOR
⑥ RECEIVING HALL	⑸ CNG COMPRESSION STATION	⑱ COMPOST PROCESSING	㉕ SITE ENTRANCE ROAD	㉙ LEACHATE HOLDING TANK	— DRAINAGE DITCH
					— ROADS

- This Figure illustrates the Brenda Renewables Project Site Plan and supporting infrastructure.
- The Brenda Renewables infrastructure requirements and location were provided by Renewables Organics Management on 15 January 2020.
- All elevations and Grid Coordinates are in metres UTM NAD 83 Zone 11 Datum. Contour intervals are at 1 m.
- Existing contours were created from data provided by Glencore on 18 February 2020 to support this drawing.
- The base imagery in this figure was provided by ArcGIS online 'World Imagery' Layer.
- This figure is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying figures and report.

BRENDA RENEWABLES SITE PLAN	
Ecometrix	BRENDA RENEWABLES PROJECT - BRENDA MINE RECLAMATION PERMIT M-12 AMENDMENT
GLENCORE	
March, 2021	
Scale As Shown	Attachment 3

Appendix E: Brenda Mines Claim Boundaries



Legend

- Other
- Plant Site
- Road
- Stock Pile
- Tailings Facility
- Glencore Claim Boundary

Notes:

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BRENDA MINE LAND USES AND CLAIM BOUNDARY

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	GLENORE
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Scale As Shown	Attachment 4



North America's Railroad

NEWS RELEASE

CN announces Cyrus Reporter as Vice-President, Government and Regulatory Affairs

Montreal, March 15, 2021 – CN (TSX: CNR) (NYSE: CNI) is pleased to announce that it has named Cyrus Reporter, a widely respected lawyer and public policy professional, as its new Vice-President, Government and Regulatory Affairs. Mr. Reporter will oversee the company's engagement with governments at all levels across North America. He will be based in Ottawa.

Mr. Reporter is well known to senior public servants, politicians, and corporate leaders. In the past 25 years, he has served as a ministerial chief of staff, a lead adviser to the Office of the Prime Minister, and, most recently, as a partner at a national law firm, where he provided counsel on regulatory affairs, public policy and corporate compliance to many of Canada's leading companies.

The remit in his new role at CN will be deep and wide. He will be responsible for ensuring CN's voice is heard clearly in Ottawa and every provincial capital, and also in Washington D.C. and the 16 U.S. states through which CN trains safely carry natural resources, manufactured and finished products as well as other essential goods. He will also assume the responsibility for stakeholder and community relations, an essential mission for CN as the company increases its focus on Environmental, Social, and Governance initiatives.

Mr. Reporter will report to Sean Finn, CN Executive Vice-President of Corporate Services and Chief Legal Officer.

"I am pleased to welcome Cyrus to the CN team. He will lead our strong bench of experienced government and regulatory affairs professionals to deliver best in class government relations."

- Sean Finn, executive vice-president, corporate services and chief legal officer at CN

About CN

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prosperity and sustainable trade since 1919. CN is committed to programs supporting social responsibility and environmental stewardship.

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COMMUNIQUÉ



FCM Board nominations are open

Dear Daniela Dyck,

The nomination process is now open for those who wish to run for FCM's 2021-2022 Board of Directors. This member-elected body develops national policy priorities on behalf of cities and communities of all sizes, from coast to coast to coast.

This year, we're running an **online** FCM Board of Directors election during our Annual Conference and Trade Show, which runs from June 1-4, 2021.

As always, we will work to deliver a transparent and secure process for our nearly 12,000 elected officials in member communities across the country. We want you to make your voice heard!

The nomination process

Are you interested in making local priorities heard at a national level? Put yourself forward as a candidate for a Director position, or even as a Table Officer. Visit [our website](#) to find more information about the commitment these positions require, the nomination and consent forms, as well as a sample resolution (which you'll need from your member municipality or Provincial/Territorial Municipal Association).

- [Table Officers' deadline for nomination forms](#): May 14
- [Directors' deadline for consent forms](#): Coming soon

Our updated [Elections Procedures](#) are also available online, and you can email elections@fcm.ca with any questions.

The voting process

As a representative from an FCM member municipality, you're automatically registered to vote in FCM's Board of Director elections when you register for our Annual Conference. It's a straightforward way to attend the conference you love *and* participate in FCM's democratic process.

This year's elections will have condensed voting windows and simplified, **online-only voting**. On the first day of the conference, registered delegates will vote for the Table Officers. On the second day, they'll vote for provincial Board Directors.

On the final day, and in accordance with our bylaws, we'll invite participants to ratify the list of elected and appointed candidates during our AGM.

Who can run?

We encourage any elected official of a member municipality to run as a candidate for either a Table Officer or a Director position, particularly if you're deeply in touch with FCM's core issues—from affordable housing to rural economic growth, from social inclusion to climate resilience. If you're already invested in those issues in your own community, consider running so you can drive change on a national scale. We all benefit from a strong FCM Board that helps communities across Canada thrive.

We'll be in touch soon with more details about the election and the Annual Conference.

Until then, stay safe and healthy.

—The FCM Elections Team



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Sent: March 15, 2021 6:38 PM

To: Maike Mayden <admin@ashcroftbc.ca>

Subject: Mental Health, Climate Change Events and COVID-19 Invitation to Participate in Community Survey

Hello

The goal of this study seeks to better understand the impacts of climate change events such as wildfires, flooding, and smoke and COVID-19 on the mental health of people living in a rural community in BC. We will also work with the community to create actions to deal with the impacts of climate change events and COVID-19 on mental health. The survey will be open to all rural regions of British Columbia.

We would like to invite you to take part in a community survey about the mental health impacts of climate change events and COVID-19. You can participate, if you:

- Are 15 years of age and over
- Live, work or go to school in a rural region of British Columbia.
- Able to speak English and understand the information on the consent form (attached)

The survey asks questions about yourself, your experience and/or those of others in your community about the mental health impacts of climate change events and COVID-19. There are 2 parts to the survey – Part 1 – short survey followed by more detailed questions on the experiences with mental health, climate change events, and COVID-19; and Part 2 – provides the opportunity to upload such items as photos, drawings, stories, poems, and collages related to climate change events, COVID-19 and mental health (optional). The link to complete part 1 of the survey is https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_etFIMuUCZXjSkIL, and part 2 is https://ubc.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_7O1HwR1vH8so0ld. The data collected from the survey will be summarized and used to discuss the impacts on mental health of climate change events and COVID-19 and to create community actions together at a community dialogue session. The copy of the consent for the survey is included as part of the survey in the link above.

Talking about mental health and wellbeing may be sensitive for some and may bring up some unpleasant past experiences. You do not have to answer any question if you do not want to. Questions will be asked about COVID-19; you may skip these questions if you wish. We will provide a list of resources for you to contact following the session if you wish.

If you have questions about the survey or would like to receive more information, please contact Nelly Oelke or Reagan Zinck (contact information is listed below).

We would also ask you to circulate this invitation with the survey link broadly to your networks in your community.

Regards,

Nelly D. Oelke

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Climate Change Events, COVID-19 and Mental Health



-----Original Message-----

From: Katherine Steinhoff [<mailto:admin@ashcroftbc.ca>]

Sent: March 18, 2021 6:27 AM

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Subject: New Entry: Contact from Website

Name

Katherine Steinhoff

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Comment or Message

RE: Thank you!

Dear Mayor Roden and Members of Council,

On behalf of Moms Stop The Harm, I would like to thank you and council members for supporting the resolution on the overdose crisis. Your support for a pan-Canadian plan to end this crisis and your recognition that we are in the midst of a national public health emergency sends a strong message to our federal government that more must be done to save the lives of our children and other loved ones. In the midst of COVID, it is especially critical that our government do more to address the needs of those who struggle with this health crisis. We believe actions such as yours will make a difference. Again, our sincere thanks.

Regards,

Katherine Steinhoff

Municipal Lead, Moms Stop The Harm



Got a creative idea to promote COVID-19 vaccines in your community?

Getting a vaccine is one of the best ways to protect against COVID-19 and other serious infectious diseases.

The Government of Canada recognizes that communities play a critical role in building vaccine confidence. Vaccine confidence means people feel they have the information they need to make an informed decision about vaccination.

This is why the Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) launched the Vaccine Community Innovation Challenge. The Agency is looking for creative and innovative ideas from the public for communications campaigns targeted to groups within their communities who have been greatly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Campaigns should aim to promote vaccine confidence and address any uncertainty so that people can make an informed decision to get a COVID-19 vaccine. The campaigns should also encourage people to continue to follow public health measures, particularly because there are some variants of concern that can spread more easily.

As part of the Vaccine Community Innovation Challenge, 20 finalists will be chosen to receive \$25,000 each to develop their ideas and launch their community-based campaigns. Finalists will spread the word about COVID-19 vaccines through creative, community-driven and culturally sensitive means.

At the end of the Challenge period, a grand prize of \$100,000 will be awarded to one winner to reinvest in their community to protect and promote public health.

The deadline for PHAC to receive submissions is 3 pm EST April 9, 2021. Finalists will be selected by May 7, 2021. Details of the Challenge can be found at <http://bit.ly/CBDICV>



Vous avez une idée originale pour promouvoir les vaccins contre la COVID-19 dans votre collectivité?

L'obtention d'un vaccin est l'un des meilleurs moyens de se protéger contre la COVID-19 et d'autres maladies infectieuses graves.

Le gouvernement du Canada reconnaît que les collectivités jouent un rôle essentiel dans le renforcement de la confiance à l'égard des vaccins. La confiance à l'égard des vaccins signifie que les gens ont le sentiment d'avoir les renseignements dont ils ont besoin pour prendre une décision éclairée au sujet de la vaccination.

C'est pourquoi l'Agence de la santé publique du Canada (ASPC) a lancé le Défi de l'innovation communautaire des vaccins. L'Agence est à la recherche d'idées originales et novatrices du public pour des campagnes de communication à l'intention des groupes de leur collectivité qui ont été grandement touchés par la pandémie de COVID-19.

Les campagnes doivent viser à accroître la confiance à l'égard des vaccins et à dissiper toute incertitude à leur sujet pour que les gens puissent prendre une décision éclairée pour se faire vacciner contre la COVID-19. Les campagnes doivent également encourager les gens à continuer de suivre les mesures de santé publique, surtout en raison de certains variants préoccupants qui peuvent se propager plus facilement.

Dans le cadre du Défi de l'innovation communautaire des vaccins, 20 finalistes seront choisis pour recevoir chacun 25 000 \$ afin de développer leurs idées et de lancer leurs campagnes communautaires. Les finalistes feront connaître les vaccins contre la COVID-19 par des moyens originaux, communautaires et adaptés à la culture.

À la fin de la période du Défi, un grand prix de 100 000 \$ sera remis à un gagnant pour qu'il réinvestisse dans sa collectivité afin de protéger et de promouvoir la santé publique.

La date limite de réception des soumissions par l'ASPC est le 9 avril 2021, à 15 h (HNE). Les finalistes seront sélectionnés d'ici le 7 mai 2021. Les détails du Défi se trouvent à l'adresse <http://bit.ly/CBDICV>

March 11, 2021

File: 01-0390-20/21

UBCM Member Municipalities

Sent via email

Dear UBCM Members:

Re: Fair Taxation from Railway Operations & Industrial Parks

At its March 2, 2021 Regular Council Meeting, Pitt Meadows City Council endorsed two resolutions related to fair taxation from railway operations and industrial parks for inclusion and discussion at the upcoming LMLGA Convention, in advance of the UBCM Convention this fall. Certified copies of both resolutions and background information regarding same have been enclosed for your information.

Sincerely,
City of Pitt Meadows



Kate Barchard
Corporate Officer

Enclosure

CERTIFICATION

I, TANYA BARR, Deputy Corporate Officer for the City of Pitt Meadows, HEREBY CERTIFY that the following is a true and exact extract of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Pitt Meadows City Council held on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 regarding the Proposed Lower Mainland Local Government Association Resolution - CP Rail:

"It was MOVED and SECONDED THAT Council approve the following resolution and submit it to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association (LMLGA) for consideration:

- A. *WHEREAS section 5(e) of the Assessment Act - Prescribed Classes of Property Regulation B.C. Reg. 438/81 mandates that land or improvements used for transporting of products or used for the storage of products are classified as Class 5 Light Industry, but specifically excludes land or improvements held for purposes ancillary to the business of transportation from railway operations;*

AND WHEREAS this legislation creates unfair taxation from railway operations because they are reflective of a class 5 Light Industrial use and require high level City service support including Fire Services and road infrastructure use;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the UBCM urge the Provincial Government to repeal section 5 (e) from the Assessment Act - Prescribed Classes of Property Regulation B.C. Reg. 438/81 in order to create fair taxation from railway operations.

CARRIED."



Tanya Barr
Deputy Corporate Officer
City of Pitt Meadows

March 4 / 21

Date Signed

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I, TANYA BARR, Deputy Corporate Officer for the City of Pitt Meadows, HEREBY CERTIFY that the following is a true and exact extract of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Pitt Meadows City Council held on Tuesday, March 2, 2021 regarding the Proposed Lower Mainland Local Government Association Resolution - Golden Ears Business Park:

"It was MOVED and SECONDED THAT Council approve the following resolution and submit it to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association (LMLGA) for consideration:

- A. *WHEREAS section 5 (f) of the Assessment Act - Prescribed Classes of Property Regulation B.C. Reg. 438/81 mandates that land or improvements used for transporting of products or used for the storage of products are classified as Class 5 Light Industry, but specifically excludes land or improvements being used principally as an outlet for the sale of a finished product to a purchaser for purposes of his or her own consumption;*
- B. *AND WHEREAS this legislation creates unfair taxation from industrial parks which are a heavy burden on City infrastructure through heavy trucking activity in movement of product;*
- C. *THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the UBCM urge the Provincial Government to repeal section 5 (f) of the Assessment Act - Prescribed Classes of Property Regulation B.C. Reg. 438/81 to create fair taxation from industrial parks.*

CARRIED."



Tanya Barr
Deputy Corporate Officer
City of Pitt Meadows



Date Signed

Fair Taxation from Railway Operations

Backgrounder

At the March 2, 2021 Regular Meeting, Council passed a resolution seeking endorsement by the Lower Mainland Local Government Association (LMLGA) regarding ending unfair taxation benefitting CP Rail.

CP Rail is in the business of moving goods for a wide range of industries. The Assessment Act categorizes property held for transporting products as Class 5 Light Industry.

However, the Assessment Act – Prescribed Classes of Property Regulation B.C. Reg. 438/81 section 5 (e) specifically excludes property held for purposes ancillary to business related to transportation from railway operations. The existence of this section results in creating unfair taxation by moving CP Rail property to Class 6 Business.

Recognizing the burden on city services in the provision of Fire Services and road infrastructure, removal of section 5 (e) would result in railway operations being more appropriately included within the Class 5 Light Industry classification. This action would create fairer taxation by including railway activities within the property class more relative to the nature of the operations.

Additional background information may be found in the January 19, 2021 Council Agenda package:

https://pittmeadows.ca.granicus.com/MetaViewer.php?view_id=2&clip_id=1208&meta_id=143659

Fair Taxation from Industrial Parks

Backgrounder

At the March 2, 2021 Regular Meeting, Council passed a resolution seeking endorsement by the Lower Mainland Local Government Association (LMLGA) regarding ending unfair taxation benefitting Industrial Parks.

Industrial parks are an area zoned and planned for the purpose of industrial development. Also, an industrial park is a more 'heavyweight' version of a business park or office park. The Golden Ears Business Park is a large-scale industrial park in Pitt Meadows. The concentration of industry in an industrial park raises environmental concerns from the heavy transportation volumes as well as the burden on road infrastructure with the constant movement of cargo on semitrailers.

The Assessment Act categorizes property held for transporting products as Class 5 Light Industry.

However, the Assessment Act – Prescribed Classes of Property Regulation B.C. Reg. 438/81 section 5 (f) specifically excludes property being used as an outlet for the sale of a finished product to a purchaser for purposes of his or her own consumption. The existence of this section results in creating unfair taxation by moving Industrial Park operations to Class 6 Business.

Recognizing the burden on city services in the provision of road infrastructure, removal of section 5 (f) would result in Industrial Park operations being more appropriately included within the Class 5 Light Industry classification. This action would create fairer taxation by including industrial park activities within the property class more relative to the nature of the operations.

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To: Daniela Dyck <cao@ashcroftbc.ca>

Cc: Jackie.Tegart.MLA@leg.bc.ca; Vis, Brad - M.P. <Brad.Vis@parl.gc.ca>

Subject: Thank you for endorsing Canada Pharmacare Act Bill C-213/ Merci pour votre soutien du projet de loi C-213 sur l'assurance-médicaments au Canada

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

Thank you for your terrific support for [Bill C-213, the Canada Pharmacare Act](#). As you may have heard, the Bill was brought to a second-reading vote on February 24th, and was defeated by a majority of MPs. No other legislation on public, universal Pharmacare is before Parliament.

We are profoundly disappointed that [Liberal and Conservative MPs voted against this bill](#) that lays out the path to establishing a universal, comprehensive and public Pharmacare plan. With millions of Canadians having lost their jobs due to the COVID-19 pandemic, a universal public Pharmacare program is needed now more than ever.

Tragically, the rejection of the Canada Pharmacare Act will have devastating effects on the hopes of millions of Canadians who are making impossible choices every day because they can't afford their prescription medication. MPs who voted no on Bill C-213 were rejecting:

1. Public and universal Pharmacare being included under the Canada Health Act framework.
2. The clear recommendations made by the Hoskins' report to establish with provincial governments a universal, public Pharmacare program.
3. The Liberal Party's 2019 election promise committing to universal Pharmacare.

That said, our fight for equality and justice is not over. We will continue to hold the Liberal government and all MPs who voted against it accountable for rejecting C-213. We will keep fighting for public and universal Pharmacare for all Canadians.

Thank you again to the many mayors and councils who endorsed the bill, representing over 100 municipalities, for their advocacy on Bill C-213. This endorsement makes a real impact on moving towards universal Pharmacare.

Here is a link where you can find out how your MPs voted:

<https://www.ourcommons.ca/members/en/votes/43/2/57>

Stay healthy and safe during these difficult times,

MPs Peter Julian, Don Davies & Jenny Kwan



The Board Bulletin

News from School District No. 74

March 2, 2021

The Board of Education met via Zoom Webinar on March 2, 2021.

The Board passed a motion to postpone holding in-person meetings until the Provincial Health Officer's guidelines change or until September 2021.



Former Ashcroft Elementary School Property

At the March meeting, the Board reviewed the feedback received from the on-line survey, submissions to the district and the community consultation meetings on the potential disposal of the former Ashcroft Elementary School Property.

The Board passed a motion to support the disposal of the property through a sale or transfer for a nominal fee to the Ashcroft Hub Society. At April's meeting, the Board will discuss the next steps in the disposal process.

Enrolment Report

The updated enrolment report as of February 2021 showed the district having a slight increase in enrolment over the September 2020 count from 1,057 to 1,060.

COVID-19 Update

On February 4, 2021, revisions to the [Provincial COVID-19 Health and Safety Guidelines for K-12 Settings](#) were published. The District Health and Safety Committee reviewed and revised the District COVID-19 Health and Safety Plan which can be found on the [district website](#) or school websites.

New Secretary Treasurer

Gold Trail welcomed Trudy Rasmuson to the position of Secretary Treasurer. Trudy will be working with retiring Secretary Treasurer Lynda Minnabarriet, transitioning into the position effective April 1, 2021.

District News

Staff and students across the district showed their support for Pink Shirt day on February 24th.

Elder Julie Antoine is helping the students and staff at Cache Creek Elementary School start each week with the opportunity to participate in a smudge before the start of school.

Students at both Cayoosh Elementary School and Desert Sands Community School have been learning how to make pine needle baskets.

With the guidance of elder Narcisse and Ms. Shaw, students at George M. Murray Elementary School are learning how to make rattles.

Policy

The Board adopted revisions to the following policies:

- Bylaw 1-1 *Procedural Bylaw*
- Policy 1.40 *Trustee Remuneration*
- Policy 4.30 *First Nations Parents Club*
- Policy 8.90 *Employment Equity/Human Rights Exemption*

Policies can be viewed on the district website.

[Policy Manual](#)

Upcoming Board Meeting

April 6, 2021 Via Zoom Webinar, time 2:00 p.m.

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INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE – FLIP CHART

MARCH 22, 2021 – REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Interior Health

- IH declares COVID-19 outbreak on Kelowna General Hospital Unit
- IH opens COVID-19 vaccine bookings Monday
- IH to open more than 40 vaccine clinics throughout region
- IH declares outbreak at Cottonwoods Care Centre in Kelowna
- IH declares COVID-19 outbreak at 4B Unit Kelowna General
- IH declares COVID-19 outbreak over at Kamloops group home
- IH expands innovative substance use treatment
- IH declares COVID-19 outbreak over at Westsyde Care Residences
- IH declares outbreak over at Brocklehurst Gemstone Care Centre

Seniors Advocate BC

- March Update

Environment and Climate Change Canada

- Consultation on Amending Schedule 1 of the *Species At Risk Act*

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Motion No.	Motion	Staff Responsible	Comments	Time line	Status
	2020 MOTIONS				
R-2020-86	"That Council defer the Outdoor Burning Bylaw Report until the COVID-19 pandemic is over and public is able to attend scheduled Council meetings."	CAO	Bring back to Council after COVID-19 orders are lifted to include public		on temporary hold
R-2020-159	"That the Mayor and Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to execute the Section 219 'no disturbance' covenant on behalf of the Village of Ashcroft for rezoning application RZ-20-01"	CAO	Property owners have engaged a consultant to clarify the arch site and move forward		in-progress
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."	CAO/ Intern/AA	Intern and Admin are working on a draft under the supervision of the CAO		in-progress
	2021 MOTIONS				
R-2021-13	"That Council members bring resolution suggestions back to the next meeting keeping in mind a broader based universal issue affecting many municipalities."	Council	January 25th Agenda. No resolution suggestions received		completed no action taken
R-2021- 40	"That Council endorses the Village of Ashcroft grant funding application to Northern Development Initiative Trust under the Community Spaces funding stream for the development of a Community Garden in the downtown core; and further that Council support the project throughout its duration."	CAO			completed
R-2021-41	"That Council approves the Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt request and donate a 2021 Family Season Pass to the Ashcroft Pool."	EA	2021 Family Pool Pass to be done up		completed
R-2021-42	"That the Village of Ashcroft provide \$200 from the public relations fund as a donation to the organizers for the Easter Scavenger Hunt."	CAO/CFO			completed
R-2021-43	"That Council approves the Request for Street Art in the Round, an Elizabeth Fry collaboration with Kathleen Kinasewich to allow art work to be displayed on the fence at the back of the E-Fry and Municipal building."	CAO			completed
R-2021-44	"That Council approve staff to send a letter of support as per the template provided, to Telus, in support of their grant application for funding to expand the broadband service in the Village of Ashcroft."	CAO	Letter or Support		completed
R-2021-50	"That Council endorses the Village of Ashcroft to participate in the Red Cross funded TNRD Wildfire Invasive Plant Management Program for the 2021 season."	DPW/CAO	DPW to coordinate with TNRD- Mike Dedels		in-progress and ongoing
R-2021-51	That Council receives the report for information until the Union - CUPE 900 are consulted for input, and further, that Council direct staff to bring back a report at that time."	CAO	Contact Union Chair to discuss, meeting scheduled for...		completed
R-2021-52	"The Council accept the lowest cost tender from Extreme Excavating for \$777,777.00."	CFO	Extreme Excavating notified		completed
R-2021-53	"That Council endorse the grant-in-aid funding request in the amount of \$500."	CFO/EA	Send letter of approval and requisition cheque		completed
R-2021-54	"That Council direct staff to write a letter in reply with an Ashcroft update and include pictures such as Water Treatment Plant."	CAO/EA	Send letter in reply, attach pictures		completed
R-2021-61	"That Council approves reallocation of Short-Term Bond Fund to shorter duration instruments such as Money Market Fund or GIC or Savings Account."	CFO	Reallocate Funds		completed
R-2021-62	"That Council continues to support the DSCS and provide two \$500 Bursaries."	CAO	Send letter of approval and requisition cheque		completed



EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND EVACUATION PLAN UPDATE

Working Group - Meeting Notes

Tuesday, March 9, 2021 – 9:00 am

In Attendance: Yogi Bhalla, Chair
Daniela Dyck, CAO
Councillor Jonah Anstett
Councillor Nadine Davenport
Kris Hardy, EA

1. Welcome

Chair Bhalla welcomed the participants and briefed the group on work already done on the Mesa Vista evacuation route since the 2017 wildfire. Noting that this route has also been put on our website as well. He emphasized updating the Emergency Response and Evacuation Plan is a priority.

All members are equal at the WG table and will act as a steering committee for the strategic priority. In most instances staff will complete the work at the direction of the WG.

2. Identify Scope of Project

- a. A complete document review and update of the 2010 Village of Ashcroft Emergency Response and Evacuation Plan
- b. Stakeholder/Community Engagement
- c. Establish ESS for Ashcroft
- d. Communication
- e. Coordinate/Collaborate with the AVFD WG

3. Discussion

- a. Emergency Response and Evacuation Plan Update is a priority
- b. Risk Mitigation
- c. Communication – Voyent Alert Update
- d. Community Engagement – two members of the Ashcroft Moving Forward group

4. Next Steps

To review and give feedback of existing plan.

5. Date for Next Meeting

Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 9:00 am

6. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 am



POTABLE WATER TO ASHCROFT INDIAN BAND WORKING GROUP

Meeting Notes

Thursday, March 11, 2021 – 1:30 am

In Attendance: Daniela Dyck, Chair
Councillor Marilyn Anderson
Councillor Nadine Davenport
Brian Bennewith, DPW
Kris Hardy, EA

The Potable Water to Ashcroft Indian Band Working Group meeting began at 1:30 pm.

1. Welcome

Chair Daniela Dyck welcomed the participants and explained the WG structure.

All members are equal at the WG table and will act as a steering committee for the strategic priority. In most instances staff will complete the work at the direction of the WG.

2. Identify Scope of Project

- a. Develop an agreement that provides the service to the AIB
- b. Be cognizant of possible grant funding opportunities, specifically planning and project grant funding

3. Discussion

- Daniela will email the AIB advising we are moving forward with this project.
- Connect our two communities for awareness i.e. water restrictions, etc.

4. Next Steps

At this time the WG is not able to move forward until the North Ashcroft Reservoir lands have been purchased and an application submitted to the ALR for exclusion.

5. Date for Next Meeting

Meetings for now will be held quarterly with the next meeting being Thursday, June 10 @ 9:00 am.

6. Adjournment

The Meeting adjourned at 2:10 pm

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NORTH ASHCROFT RESERVOIR – Working Group

Meeting Notes

Monday, March 15, 2021 – 9:00 am

In Attendance: Daniela Dyck, Chair
Councillor Jonah Anstett
Brian Bennewith, DPW
Kris Hardy, EA

Excused: Councillor Nadine Davenport

1. Welcome

Chair Daniela Dyck welcomed the participants and explained the WG structure.

All members are equal at the WG table and will act as a steering committee for the strategic priority. In most instances staff will complete the work at the direction of the WG.

2. Identify Scope of Project

- a. Purchase the land required to be subdivided for the reservoir
- b. Submit application to have lands removed from ALR
- c. As grant funding becomes available, apply for design and building funding

3. Discussion

- a. Land has been surveyed to subdivide off the necessary portion
- b. There is room for a second reservoir near the "pegasus" water tank
- c. Survey has been sent to the land owners for approval
- d. To remove that portion of land in ALR will take approximately 6-8 months

4. Next Steps

Daniela will connect with land owners via email to start application for subdivision.

5. Date for Next Meeting

TBD

6. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 am

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Community Garden – Heritage Park and Tree Assessment WG

Meeting Notes

Wednesday, March 17, 2021 – 1:30 am

In Attendance: Brian Bennewith, Chair
Councillor Marilyn Anderson
Councillor Deb Tuohey
Daniela Dyck, CAO
Andrea Walker, CiB
Kris Hardy, EA

The Community Garden – Heritage Park and Tree Assessment Working Group meeting began at 1:30 pm.

1. Welcome

Chairman Brian Bennewith welcomed the participants and explained the WG structure is actually broken down into two sections.

All members are equal at the WG table and will act as a steering committee for the strategic priority. In most instances staff will complete the work at the direction of the WG.

It is up to the WG to provide priorities and recommendations to Council for approval.

2. Identify Scope of Project

a. Community Garden

- a grant dependent project
- NDIIT grant funding is 50% of \$30,000
- BC Rebuild grant funding is 100% of funding
- Tentatively set out as 60' x 60' portion of land on south side of blue haul pack truck
- Concept drawing and location photo attached to these notes
- Untreated ties (donated by Koppers) will be used to form raised garden beds
- Garden to include 6' high chain link fence with a gate, 4 benches, garbage receptacles, garden shed & drip irrigation on timers
- Volunteer labour to decrease costs

b. Heritage Park and Tree Assessment

- An Arborist will be brought in to do a tree assessment of the park
- WG members will meet at the park on Tuesday, March 30, 2021 at 1:30 pm to do a walk through assessment of the park; Community Garden area will also be looked at.

3. Discussion

Andrea Walker will provide Brian with the contact person who is in charge of all the community gardens in the City of Kamloops for guidance with implementation of our community garden.

Andrea Walker indicated that Communities in Bloom has monies set aside for upgrades to the park, specifically the garden around the pond and the waterwheel.

4. Next Steps

WG members to bring back ideas and suggestions to the next meeting.

5. Date for Next Meeting

Wednesday, April 21 @ 9:00 am

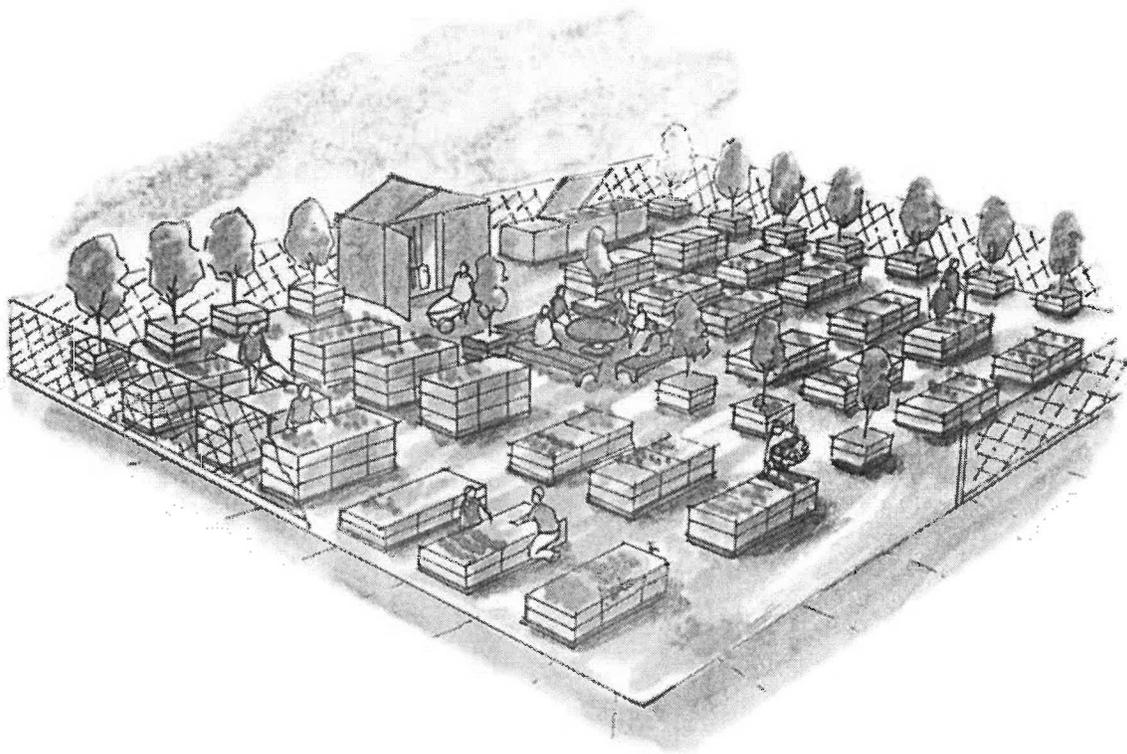
6. Adjournment

The Meeting adjourned at 2:25 pm

Att.
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Village of Ashcroft Community Garden – Concept Drawing

The image below acts as a guide for our community garden with the exception of a shade structure. The summer temperature in the Village of Ashcroft can be intense, providing shade shelter will be vital for the health of gardeners and garden visitors. Once shade trees are established the garden will be a community space that can be enjoyed by all.





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COUNCIL COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORT

DATE: March 22, 2021
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

March 5: Gold Country Communities Society

Special closed meeting of the society.

March 7: CN Tour

Virtual tour for council members and the CAO of the CN loading/storage facility on Hollis Road.

March 9: Operation Lifesaver

Online meeting of the Operation Lifesaver Committee. Most public events were cancelled in 2020, and OL is now looking at possibilities for taking part in live events in 2021. Road decals similar to the ones installed at the CN crossing on Old Cariboo Road are available again in 2021. The 'Thomas the Tank Engine' train safety book is back in production. Using local TV stations as a way to get out the message about rail safety was discussed.

March 10: COVID-19 Helpline Meeting

Representatives of organizations taking part in the local COVID-19 Helpline met to discuss various issues. Trish Schachtel of the E. Fry Society was unable to be there but sent a message saying she would like to discuss mental health more, noting that a study indicates that the impact of COVID-19 on children/youth mental health has been 'staggering'. Lack of continuity in mental health care was noted as a real issue (people do not see the same person consistently). A brochure has been prepared giving local transit options, such as the Community Bus schedule and volunteer groups that will transport people. Some area churches are hoping to be able to open again for services by Easter.

March 10: Thompson-Nicola Invasive Plant Management Committee

Chaired the meeting for the TNIPMC, which was the first of two spring meetings and focused on operational matters for 2021. The committee heard from representatives speaking about invasive plant management beside highways, in BC Parks, in the Elephant Hill wildfire area, and in various highlighted areas in the TNRD. A representative from the Invasive Species Council of BC spoke

about \$8 million in provincial funding they have received for invasive plant management, but a closer look at the funding reveals it is mostly about job creation, with invasive plant management as a sidebar, not the main focus.

March 11: Economic Development Meeting

Met with Myles Bruns to discuss economic development, as well as the future of the Ashcroft HUB and its importance to the community.

March 11: Thompson-Nicola Regional District

Special closed meeting.

March 11: Mayors' Vaccine Roundtable

As they coordinate public vaccine clinics throughout the region, Interior Health has established a weekly roundtable with IH clinical operations leadership and area mayors to answer questions and give operational guidance as new vaccines are approved and more vaccines arrive.

March 11: Thompson-Nicola Regional District

At the regular meeting of the TNRD board, directors voted to eliminate fines for overdue materials at all Thompson-Nicola Regional Library branches. More and more libraries are going 'fine free' and have reported that the impact on overdue items is negligible. Fines as a source of revenue have been dropping in recent years, as more people check out electronic items, which are automatically checked in when they are due, so do not incur fines. The TNRD film commissioner gave a report about filming in the region in 2020, noting that more than \$6.5 million was spent directly by film companies in the TNRD area in 2020, resulting in an economic impact of just under \$20 million. The board voted to write a letter of support for Horsting's Farm Market and their plans to build a 1.5km miniature railway at the site.

March 17: Community Futures Sun Country

CAO Dyck, EDT Coordinator Margaret Moreira, and I met via Zoom with Deb Arnott of Community Futures Sun Country to discuss support for small businesses in the region generally and in Ashcroft specifically, and how the village could support CFSC in identifying and filling any gaps, and how we could best provide support to Ashcroft businesses.

March 17: Historic Hat Creek

The entire site plans to open on May 1, with the restaurant open until 5 p.m. in May and June and until 7 p.m. in July and August. Funding for improvements to the restaurant patio deck and the campsite has been received, and it is hoped that the work will be completed by May 1. Coach tour bookings are down significantly (fewer than 50; a normal year sees more than 400), but it's hoped there will be another summer 'vacation in your own backyard' campaign from the Province of B.C. similar to last year's.

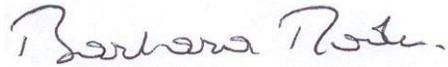
March 18: Gold Country Communities Society

The board of Gold Country met to discuss committees, financials, and its participation in the BC's Best Live Music program.

March 18: Mayors' Vaccine Roundtable

As they coordinate public vaccine clinics throughout the region, Interior Health has established a weekly roundtable with IH clinical operations leadership and area mayors to answer questions and give operational guidance as new vaccines are approved and more vaccines arrive.

Respectfully submitted,



Barbara Roden
Mayor

COUNCIL COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORT

DATE: March 22, 2021
TO: Council
FROM: Councillor Anderson

Deputy Mayor – November 1, 2018 – October 31, 2019

Assigned Committees/WG:	Alternate:
Finance Committee	HUB Society
Tourism & Economic Development WG	
Bylaw Enforcement Officer WG	
Water to AIB WG	
Heritage Park /Community Garden WG	

March 11, 2021 – Ashcroft Indian Band Potable Water Working Group

Attended working group meeting, we are tasked with moving forward the goal of bringing potable water to the AIB and discuss next steps. However it became evident that we first need to deal with the purchase of land for the Water Reservoir project. This land is in the ALR which can take 3-6 months to break out of ALR prior to the Village being able to purchase.

This WG has determined that it is very limited in its ability to move forward on the AIB project until we are closer to land purchase, which involves the Water Reservoir working group. At this time no further meeting scheduled.

March 17, 2021 – Heritage Park and Community Garden Working Group

Community Garden: The working group discussed the scope of the project to install a community garden near the blue truck beside the Heritage Park. Two grants were applied for @\$30,000 each to a total of \$60,000 if we are successful. Still waiting on an answer. The grant application included raised garden beds, 6 ft high chain-link fencing and gates, 4 benches, 2 garbage containers, a garden shed and dirt irrigation as well as a materials needed. Discussed design and ideas. A site assessment is scheduled Mar 30.

Heritage Park: Two possible qualified arborists were identified and will be asked to do a complete assessment of the full park. The Working Group will also meet and for a site survey on March 30 (along with viewing the space for the Community Garden) to informally evaluate the scope of the work by viewing condition of trees, paths, pond, waterwheel area, caboose, plaques and Bifuka and other artwork, etc. Communities in Bloom has also some funds set aside for the past few years for the Heritage Park improvements. Next meeting: April 21

Respectfully submitted, Marilyn Anderson, Councillor