



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 TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2022

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

CALL TO ORDER

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

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion to adopt the Agenda as presented or as amended

M/S

THAT, the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, October 11, 2022 be adopted as presented.

2. MINUTES

2.1	Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, September 26, 2022 <i>THAT, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, September 26, 2022 be adopted as presented.</i>	P. 1-4

3. DELEGATIONS

3.1	NONE	
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4. PUBLIC INPUT

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

5. BYLAWS/POLICIES

5.1	Bylaw No. 856, Village of Ashcroft Council Procedure Amendment Bylaw, 2022 M/S <i>THAT, Bylaw No. 856, Village of Ashcroft Council Procedure Bylaw, 2022 be adopted.</i>	P. 5
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6. STAFF REPORTS

REQUEST FOR DECISION		
6.1	CAO Report – Dismiss – Strategic Plan Working Groups M/S	P. 6-7

	<i>THAT, Council dismisses the Storm Drainage and Fire Department working groups;</i> <i>And</i> <i>THAT, Council dismisses with a recommendation to re-establish the Water to Water to AIB, North Ashcroft Reservoir and Trails Master Plan working groups when Council portfolios are assigned in order to complete the scope of the projects.</i>	
FOR INFORMATION		
6.	CAO Report – UBCM Conference Report	P. 8-10

7. CORRESPONDENCE

FOR ACTION		
7.1	NONE	
FOR INFORMATION		
7.2	Minister of Children and Family Development – October is Foster Family Month in BC	P. 11
7.3	TNRD Board Meeting Highlights – September 22, 2022	P. 12
7.4	Thank you – Truth and Reconciliation Walk	P. 13
7.5	Flip Chart Correspondence	P. 14
	M/S <i>THAT, the Information Correspondence items for October 11, 2022 be received and filed.</i>	

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1	Task Manager – Motion Tracker M/S <i>THAT, the Task Manager be received and filed.</i>	P. 15
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9. NEW BUSINESS

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

10.1	EDTC Report – NDI Business Façade Improvement Program M/S <i>THAT, the Village of Ashcroft not apply for the Northern Development Initiative Trust Business Façade Improvement Program for 2023.</i>	P. 16
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11. COUNCIL REPORTS

11.1	Mayor Roden - Report	P. 17-18
11.2	Councillor Anderson	
11.3	Councillor Anstett	
11.4	Councillor Davenport - Report	P. 19
11.5	Councillor Tuohey - Report	P. 20-21



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 <i>THAT, Council adjourn to a closed meeting under the Community Charter Section 90.1(a) and Section 90.1(g)</i>	
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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 COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE VILLAGE OFFICE
AT 6:00 PM ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2022

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

Media – 2
Public – 2

EXCUSED: Brian Bennewith, Director of Public Works

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Roden called the Regular Meeting of Council for Monday September 26, 2022 to order at 6:00 pm

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

1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion to adopt the Agenda as presented or as amended

M/S Anstett / Anderson

THAT, the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of Council held on Monday, September 26, 2022 be adopted as presented.

CARRIED – Unanimous – R-2022-217

2. MINUTES

2.1	Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, August 22, 2022 M/S Davenport / Anstett <i>THAT, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Council held Monday, August 22, 2022 be adopted as presented.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-218
2.2	Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held Thursday, September 22, 2022 M/S Tuohey / Anstett <i>THAT, the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held Thursday, September 22, 2022 be adopted as presented.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-219

3. DELEGATIONS

3.1	Via Zoom – Paul Adams and Colin Moss, BC Rural Health Network (BCRHN) – Rural Health Care Crisis – Video Link providing information to support the Village joining BCRHN 5 minute video presentation Combating the Rural Health Crisis Purpose is to request Ashcroft's participation in the BC Rural Health Network Established in 2017 Collective of local advocacy groups – growing rapidly Advocate for policy changes Transfer knowledge to other levels of government Advocate for equality in health care for all Q – what does membership entail - \$50 Increasing social media presence sharing science based information in rural BC Solution based would like to have Ashcroft's voice at the table How many members – 60 organizations and just started municipality recruitment Network is diverse and includes community service group membership throughout rural BC Nonpartisan approach to health care advocating for all health care needs to all levels of government Mayor Roden thanked Mr. Adams for his presentation advising that a decision will be made at the following Council meeting.	
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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.

There were no questions or comments received from the public

5. **BYLAWS/POLICIES**

5.1	Bylaw No. 856, Village of Ashcroft Council Procedure Amendment Bylaw, 2022 M/S Anderson / Davenport <i>THAT, Bylaw No. 856, Village of Ashcroft Council Procedure Amendment Bylaw, 2022 be read a third time.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-220
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6. **STAFF REPORTS**

REQUEST FOR DECISION		
6.1	CAO Report – 124 – 3rd Street Delegation Report M/S Tuohey / Anderson <i>THAT, Council approves the construction of a sidewalk at 124 3rd Street with two driveway access points one single and one double drop down to provide vehicle access in the spring of 2023 or as public works schedule allows; and that Mr. van Beers be notified in writing.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-221
6.2	CAO Report – Fire Hall Renovation Councillor Anstett recused himself at 6:22 in a Conflict of Interest returning at 6:29	

	M/S Davenport / Anderson <i>THAT, Council approves the budget increase of the Fire Hall Renovation project budget from \$688,000 to \$1.2 Million as per the TriCity Canada Inc. quote.</i> CFO Bhalla provided a brief explanation in regards to the budget increase and funding allocations. CAO Dyck provided estimated contractor timelines to begin and complete the project.	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-222
FOR INFORMATION		
6.	NONE	

7. CORRESPONDENCE

FOR ACTION		
7.1	Ashcroft & Area Community Resource Society – Grant-In-Aid Request for Christmas Hamper Program M/S Anderson / Tuohey <i>THAT, Council approves the Ashcroft and Area Community Resource Society Grant in Aid request in the amount of \$500 for the annual Christmas Hamper Program.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-223
7.2	WRAPS – Grant In Aid Extension Request Mayor Roden recused herself in a conflict of interest at 6:32 returning at 6:36 M/S Anstett / Davenport <i>THAT, Council approves WRAPS extension request to postpone their 2022 production to 2023 with the understanding that WRAPS will not apply for a Grant in Aid during the 2023 intake.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-224
7.3	Ashcroft HUB Society – Request for Letter of Support M/S Davenport / Tuohey <i>THAT, Council direct staff to write a general letter of support that the HUB can include in upcoming Grant applications.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-225
FOR INFORMATION		
7.4	Thank you for hosting the HARS Session	
7.5	CN Rail – CN in your Community 2022 (Report in office)	
7.6	Thank you from Terry Fox Run Organizers	
7.7	Flip Chart Correspondence – none	
	M/S Anstett / Anderson <i>THAT, the information Correspondence items for September 26, 2022 be received and filed.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-226

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

8.1	Task Manager – Motion Tracker M/S Anstett / Anderson <i>THAT, the Task Manager be received and filed.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-227
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9. NEW BUSINESS

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

10.1	EDTC Report – Update on Summer Programs M/S Anderson / Davenport <i>THAT, the Economic Development & Tourism Coordinator Update on Summer Programs report be received and filed.</i> Council commented that the summer market event was very well received.	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-228
10.2	EDTC Report – Visitor Information Booth & Statistics M/S Tuohey / Davenport <i>THAT, the Economic Development & Tourism Coordinator report detailing Visitor Information Booth and Statistics be received for information.</i> Council shared their appreciation to all the volunteers for their commitment to promoting and supporting tourism in Ashcroft.	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-229

11. COUNCIL REPORTS

11.1	Mayor Roden – Report	
11.2	Councillor Anderson	
11.3	Councillor Anstett – Report	
11.4	Councillor Davenport – Report	
11.5	Councillor Tuohey	
	M/S Anstett / Davenport <i>THAT, the Council Reports for Monday September 26, 2022 Regular Meeting of Council be received for information.</i>	CARRIED Unanimous R-2022-230

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

M/S Anderson / Anstett

THAT, the Regular Council Meeting for Monday September 26, 2022 be adjourned at 6:52 pm.

CARRIED – Unanimous – R-2022-232

Certified to be a true copy of the Minutes
for the Regular Meeting of Council held
Monday September 26, 2022.

Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

Barbara Roden,
Mayor

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF ASHCROFT

BYLAW NO. 856

A bylaw for the Village of Ashcroft to amend the Village of Ashcroft Council Procedure Bylaw No. 834, 2020

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

1. This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "Village of Ashcroft Council Procedure Amendment Bylaw No.856, 2022".
2. Section 20 (1) of Bylaw No. 834, 2020 be amended as follows:

That Section 20 (1) "Following a general local election, the first Council meeting must be held on the first Monday in November in the year of the election" be stricken and replaced with:

"Following a general local election, the first Council meeting must be held on the first Tuesday in November in the year of the election."

READ A FIRST TIME THIS	22 nd	DAY OF	August	, 2022
READ A SECOND TIME THIS	22 nd	DAY OF	August	, 2022
PUBLIC NOTICE PROVIDED TO THE ELECTORS THIS	15 th & 22 nd	DAY OF	September	, 2022
READ A THIRD TIME THIS	26 th	DAY OF	September	, 2022
ADOPTED THIS	11 th	DAY OF	October	, 2022

Certified to be a true and correct copy of the
Council Procedure Amendment Bylaw
No. 856, 2022 as adopted by Council.

Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

Barbara Roden,
Mayor

STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL – OPEN MEETING

DATE: October 11, 2022
FROM: Daniela Dyck, Chief Administrative Officer
SUBJECT: Dismiss - Strategic Plan Working Groups

Purpose

Conclude the working groups established by Council to meet the objectives identified in the 2021-2022 Strategic Plan.

Recommendation

THAT, Council dismisses the Storm Drainage, and Fire Department working groups;
and

THAT, Council dismisses with a recommendation to re-establish the Water to AIB, North Ashcroft Reservoir and Trails Master Plan working groups when Council portfolios are assigned in order to complete the scope of the projects.

Alternate

N/A

Discussion

As this Council's term concludes, the strategic priority working groups which have met the scope of their project should be dismissed. These working groups are:

1. Storm Drainage – Final plan received.
2. Fire Department Sustainability – Ongoing administrative support will be provided to complete the Safe Operating Procedures and Guidelines.

There are three remaining working groups that are ongoing as the objectives have not been met. These working groups should be dismissed with a recommendation to be re-established by the new Council as Council portfolios are assigned. These working groups are:

1. Potable Water to AIB
2. North Ashcroft Reservoir
3. Trails Master Plan

The water to AIB project is a work in progress and will require some time to complete. The working group is at the cost and delivery discussion working towards reaching a mutual understanding in order to edit and finalize the agreement.

The North Ashcroft Reservoir working group is waiting for the Agricultural Land Commission's (ALC) approval of Ashcroft's application to exclude a portion of land to be subdivided from Desert Hills property housing the existing and future reservoir from the ALC. The property has been surveyed and a purchase

price is negotiated. Upon ALC approval of the exclusion application the project can be completed as planned.

The Trails Master Plan requires a final meeting between Council and the Consultant. This meeting is a review of the public comments received and a discussion in regards to any edits that may or may not be implemented. Once the edits are complete, the plan will come before Council for final adoption.

Strategic/Municipal Objectives

Strategic Plan

Legislative Authority

Financial Implications

Attachment Listing

Respectfully Submitted by:



Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

STAFF REPORT TO COUNCIL – OPEN MEETING

DATE: October 11, 2022
FROM: Daniela Dyck, Chief Administrative Officer
SUBJECT: UBCM Conference Report

Purpose:

Provide Council with the report in regards to my experience at UBCM.

Recommendation

For information

Alternate

N/A

Discussion

It was my privilege to attend my first UBCM as CAO with Council this year at Whistler. Attending as staff is certainly different than attending as an elected official. Nevertheless, the sessions, meetings, key note speakers and networking made for a full week of absorbing information and building connections.

Ashcroft attended three Minister meetings while at UBCM lobbying for improved health care services, improved and consistent support for first responders and improved storm drainage along Elephant Hill Park and Highway 97C. Regrettably two Minister meetings were rescheduled last minute by the Province and we were unable to attend; however, follow up letters have been sent on Councils' behalf advocating our position and requesting Minister support.

I attended several sessions:

1. Learning from the Lytton Fire – Preventing Future Wildfire Disasters

This session focused on forest management practices and fire smarting public and private property. Much of the information shared has been circulated throughout the province since 2017. The session did confirm that Ashcroft is on the right track. Council's intended collaboration with the Fire Department to fire smart the village is a huge step towards mitigating risk. We live in a desert; our landscaping should reflect this and our storage and outbuildings should not add to the fire risk. Time and again the facilitator highlighted homes that survived a wildfire and pointing out why the neighbours did not. Educating the public and having them participate in safeguarding their property is our best wildfire defence. Wildfire burns hot and fast, more often than not it moves through a community rapidly, it is generally hours after a forest fire has moved through that smouldering embers begin the tragedy of burning homes.

2. Inclusive Local Governance=Diverse Voices at the Table

The emphasis in this session simply put is inclusion and equality. Everyone has a voice and brings value to the table no matter their gender, sexual orientation or race. There should be no room for

discrimination in local government and we should all be working towards equality. A diverse Council represents the community as a whole more effectively.

3. Small Talk Forum

This session focused on the diverse needs of small communities and had a key note address by Nathan Cullen, Minister of Municipal Affairs.

The Small Talk Forum provides an opportunity for municipalities to put forward topics for discussion which are addressed at the session. Followed by the Small Talk luncheon.

4. Re-Envisioning Health Care

This afternoon session was the most frustrating of the week for me. It seemed that Minister Dix wanted to press home the hard work that he and his team are doing, citing statistics and advances made in health care with a focus on nurse staffing levels, doctors, increased capacity at medical school and COVID. Sadly, he used up all the time talking not giving the room time for any questions. The one positive, is he seems to be in favour of recruiting and training BCEHS staff from the local community.

5. Clean BC Local Government Climate Action

This program used to be called CARIP and we had to offset our carbon for a fee. The Province has cancelled the CARIP program and has downloaded the responsibility to the local governments. The session was very high level expectation and strategies that could be implemented. Staff have discussed CARIP and a proposed plan is in the works.

6. Ensuring Local Government Financial Resiliency

The session addressed the MOU signed earlier this year by the province and discussed terms of reference and steps to move forward. Much of the discussion is already in place for Ashcroft and reaffirmed that Council and staff are moving in the right directions with asset management and financial management.

7. CAO Breakfast and Nuts and Bolts Session

This was the highlight of the week for me. I enjoyed meeting CAO's from across the province, we were provided an opportunity to network and discuss community concerns, hot topics and strategies for success. After breakfast a nuts and bolts session to discuss elections was hosted. This was a round table discussion providing advice, asking questions, gathering information and best practices.

The other sessions were geared at elected officials and required voting etc. which is not a function of staff. While Council attended the business sessions I worked from afar as I am able to access my office computer from my laptop.

The many receptions are always an opportunity to meet new people and build a network of professionals, I met many CAO's both for regional districts and municipalities and am happy to say that I have been able to reach out to some to share information.

At the Banquet, we were fortunate enough to have two Ministers at our table, George Chow, the Minister of State for Trade and Bruce Ralston, the Minister of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation – very fitting seeing as we have HVC just up the hill. We were able to have some insightful conversation advocating for Ashcroft and promoting industry including the Terminal and Highland Valley Copper. Both Ministers were surprised at the industry in Ashcroft that falls within their portfolios. Both Ministers hope to visit the region.

Strategic/Municipal Objectives

Accountability

Legislative Authority

Financial Implications

Attachment Listing

Respectfully Submitted by:



Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

From: MCF Info MCF:EX [<mailto:MCF.Info@gov.bc.ca>]

Sent: September 27, 2022 4:03 PM

To: Maïke Mayden <admin@ashcroftbc.ca>

Subject: Letter from the Honourable Mitzi Dean, Minister of Children and Family Development

VIA E-MAIL

Ref: 271626

Village of Ashcroft

E-mail: admin@ashcroftbc.ca

Dear Mayor and Council:

For 32 years, British Columbians have taken October to honour the caregivers in British Columbia that have dedicated themselves to some of this province's most vulnerable children and youth. I am pleased to announce that, once again, this October will be declared Foster Family Month in British Columbia.

This month is about celebrating and honouring caregivers and foster families that have stepped up to help children and youth who are experiencing hardship. The role foster families play in the lives of young people and the contribution they make to their communities is vital to helping children and youth reach their full potential. The impact that they have on the young people in their care will last a lifetime, from stepping up to become a mentor, advocate, and friend, to providing a nurturing and safe home, and responding to each unique situation with love and support. As Minister of Children and Family Development, I wish to express my sincere gratitude for the warmth and dedication that these caregivers and foster families have shown to the children and youth in their care.

Please join me in celebrating October as Foster Family Month to show those in your community how important the role of a foster caregiver is. I encourage you to celebrate foster families for the selfless work they do for the children, youth, and families of British Columbia.

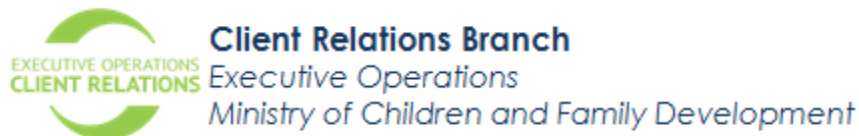
On behalf of the Government of British Columbia, thank you for your continued support in recognizing foster caregivers.

Sincerely,

Mitzi Dean

Minister

Sent on behalf of the Minister by:



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THE CURRENT | TNRD BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

Highlights of the Thompson-Nicola Regional District [Board of Directors Meeting of September 22, 2022](#)

The TNRD Board of Directors held its regular Board Meeting in the Twin Rivers boardroom of the TNRD Civic Building in Kamloops. The meeting was held via Zoom and in-person. The meeting was recorded and uploaded to the TNRD's YouTube channel. You can view the recording [here](#).

Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2778 (Adams Lake)

Following a public hearing, the Board adopted Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2778. The bylaw amendment rezones a portion of 5580 Adams West Forest Service Road in Adams Lake, B.C. to C4: Recreational Commercial, to allow for a resort, RV Park and two caretaker units. Read the report [here](#).

Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2748 (north of Cache Creek)

The Board adopted Zoning Amendment Bylaw No. 2748. The bylaw amendment enables the construction and use of an open-air amusement ride and attractions, including a miniature passenger train at the Horsting's property, located at 2540 Highway 97 north of Cache Creek. Read the report [here](#).

Fire Protection Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 2783 (Lower Nicola)

The Board approved first, second and third reading for Fire Protection Service Area Amendment Bylaw No. 2783, to amend the boundaries of the fire protection service area which will align with changes announced on June 30, 2022. The Board also approved a partial tax rebate for properties that paid into the service for 2022 but have not received fire protection services since the end of June 2022. Read the report [here](#).

Green Lake and Area OCP Amendment Bylaw No. 2792

The Board gave first reading to Green Lake and Area Official Community Plan (OCP) Amendment Bylaw No. 2792. The bylaw amendment proposes to provide additional clarity to the OCP Riparian Development Permit Area and limit the scope of the OCP Hazardous Lands and Environmentally Sensitive Development Permit Areas. Read the report [here](#).

70 Mile Fire Service Funding

The Board approved an additional one year of taxation funding for the 70 Mile House Volunteer Firefighters Association. This will allow \$30,000 to be collected through taxation for the existing grant-in-aid fire protection area. Read the report [here](#).

Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid Funds

The Board approved Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid funding requests of **\$500** from Electoral Area "A" to Yellowhead Community Services for its Raise-a-Reader program, and **\$2,500** from Electoral Area "O" to the BC Agricultural Expo Society for its annual fair. Read the report [here](#).

Canada Community Building Fund

The Board approved the following requests for allocation from the Canada Community Building Fund:

- **\$80,000** to fund roof repairs and the installation of solar panels at the Spences Bridge Volunteer Society Building in Electoral Area "I." Read the report [here](#).
- **\$40,000** to fund a portion of the roof replacement project for the Merritt Curling Club building. Read the report [here](#).
- **\$100,000** to fund Phase 1 of water meter installations in the Lower Nicola Waterworks Improvement District in Electoral Area "M." Read the report [here](#).

The next Regular Board Meeting is on October 6, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.

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Kamloops | Logan Lake | Lytton | Merritt | Sun Peaks

ELECTORAL AREAS: "A" "B" "E" "I" "J" "L" "M" "N" "O" "P"

From: [Kandi-Lee Crooks-Smith](#)
To: [Daniela Dyck](#)
Cc: [Nicole R. Minnabarriet](#); [Susan Schalles](#)
Subject: Thank you - Truth and Reconciliation Walk
Date: October 3, 2022 4:15:32 PM
Attachments: [Outlook-plsvrmei.png](#)

Good evening Daniela,

Please share our gratitude with the team at the Village office for approving the closure of Main Street to facilitate the Truth and Reconciliation Walk.

What a joy to see the members of Bonaparte First Nation, students and staff walking and singing together with the support of parents, local businesses and community members as well.

Our combined efforts led to students feeling proud and willing to participate in the activities in addition to sparking their curiosity to ask questions and learn even more. The drummers and singers certainly got everyone's attention!

We look forward to your continued support as we work on community engagement and partnership.

Thanks again,
The Planning Team



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Striving for our 5 strategic goals:
Success ♦ Reconciliation ♦ Team ♦ Communication ♦ Sustainability
[Learn about our 2021/22 to 2025/26 Strategic Plan](#)

Gold Trail respectfully acknowledges that the land on which we gather is the unceded and traditional territory of the Nlaka'pamux, St'at'imc and Secwépemc First Peoples.

INFORMATION CORRESPONDENCE – FLIP CHART

OCTOBER 11, 2022

Interior Health

- Stop Guessing – Drug Checking Saves Lives Public Service Announcement

September					
Motion No.	Motion	Staff Responsible	Comments	Time line	Status
	2022 MOTIONS				
R-2022-142	THAT, Council receives the North Ashcroft Storm Drainage Study prepared by Urban Systems pending Working Group suggested changes as a drainage guide for future development in North Ashcroft; and that Twin 750mm culverts be approved by Council as a standard for development; and further that, a meeting be scheduled with MoTI to begin storm runoff from Elephant Hill Park and along Hwy 97C mitigation discussions.	CAO	Meeting scheduled for October 19, 2022		completed
R-2022-220	THAT, Bylaw No. 856, Village of Ashcroft Council Procedure Amendment Bylaw, 2022 be read a third time.	EA	Update Bylaw		completed
R-2022-221	THAT, Council approves the construction of a sidewalk at 124 3rd Street with two driveway access points one single and one double drop down to provide vehicle access in the spring of 2023 or as public works schedule allows; and that Mr. van Beers be notified in writing.	CAO	Letter be drafted advising Mr. van Beers of construction of a sidewalk		completed
R-2022-223	THAT, Council approves the Ashcroft and Area Community Resource Society Grant in Aid request in the amount of \$500 for the annual Christmas Hamper Program.	EA	Letter be drafted to CRS advising of grant approval		completed
R-2022-224	THAT, Council approves WRAPS extension request to postpone their 2022 production to 2023 with the understanding that WRAPS will not apply for a Grant in Aid during the 2023 intake.	EA	Letter be drafted advising Council's decision and sent via email		completed
R-2022-225	THAT, Council direct staff to write a general letter of support that the HUB can include in upcoming Grant applications.	EA	Letter of Support be drafted and sent via email		completed

REPORT TO COUNCIL – OPEN MEETING

DATE: October 11, 2022
TO: Mayor & Council
FROM: Economic Development and Tourism Coordinator
SUBJECT: Northern Development Initiative Trust - Business Façade Improvement Program

Purpose:

To inform Council on the NDIT Business Façade Improvement Program.

Recommendations:

That the Village of Ashcroft not apply for the Northern Development Initiative Trust Business Façade Improvement Program for 2023.

Alternatives:

N/A

Discussion:

Performed a survey via personal visit to establish if there would be enough interest to apply for the grant for 2023. Businesses had many concerns with regards to supply/contract worker availability in order to complete projects on time. However, there was enough expressed interest for the municipality to consider applying for the Business Façade Improvement Program for 2024.

Financial Implications:

N/A

Attachment Listing:

N/A

Prepared by:



Margaret Moreira,
Economic Development and Tourism Coordinator

Approved for submission to Council:



Daniela Dyck,
Chief Administrative Officer

COUNCIL COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORT

DATE:

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

Sept. 27: Gold Country Communities Society

The board had a report on the recent Prequel GeoTour, which saw an additional 50 caches added to the inventory; there is room for 100 more for future events. More than 100 people participated and provided some good feedback about the event, which was very well-received. Lunch tokens were given to participants for redemption at the Ashcroft and District Fall Fair, which coincided with the final day of the GeoTour.

Sept. 27: Media interviews

Did several media interviews about the opening of the Urgent and Primary Care Centre at the Ashcroft Hospital and Health Site.

Sept. 28: Interior Health

Stopped by the hospital to talk to Ian Wood of IH, who was there to monitor the new UPCC, support staff, and answer questions from the public. He stressed that new services will continue to come on board as the UPCC is established, and there will be more information provided to the community about the UPCC and what it does/offers.

Sept. 28: Historic Hat Creek Ranch

The board heard that it was a very busy September at the ranch, which has now closed for the season. There are plans to develop and promote a new wedding venue at the site, and work on the deck outside the restaurant has been completed.

Sept. 29: Mayors' Health Care Alliance

A group of mayors from around the province have formed an ad hoc group to discuss health care issues in our communities and how to raise awareness with the ministry and the health authorities. We discussed next steps in continuing to keep rural health care issues on the front burner, acknowledging that things will be quiet until after the election on Oct. 15.

Sept. 29: Truth and Reconciliation events

Attended the walk down Railway Avenue organized by Desert Sands Community School, and a community event with the Ashcroft Indian Band.

Sept. 29: Landfill monitoring committee

Had a quarterly tour of the Campbell Hill landfill, which was extremely busy while we were there. Phase 1 of the landfill is filling up, and the plan is to have Phase 2 open and accepting waste by 2024/25.

Oct. 3: All-candidates' forum

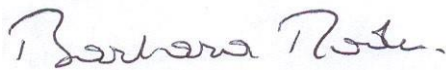
Attended the Ashcroft all-candidates' forum at the Community Hall, which was attended by about three dozen people in person and had more than 200 views online.

Oct. 6: Economic Development and Tourism working group

The group met to discuss and review billboard signage for Highway 1 south of Ashcroft Manor, and look at developing more videos of Ashcroft for tourism and development promotion.

Oct. 6: TNRD board meeting and Oct. 7: TNRD Committee of the Whole meeting: These meetings took place after this report was prepared.

Respectfully submitted,



Barbara Roden,
Mayor

COUNCIL COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORT

DATE: October 11, 2022
TO: Council
FROM: Councillor Davenport

Deputy Mayor – November 1, 2020 – October 31, 2021

Assigned Committees/WG:

Finance Committee
Bylaw Enforcement Officer WG
NDIT
Emergency Plan Update WG
Water to AIB WG
Fire Dept. Sustainability WG

Alternate:

Heritage
Gold Country Communities Society (GCCS)
Transit

Sept. 27: NDIT Meeting via Zoom

NDIT Grants from 2020 intake, the current intake (2021-2022) or potential re-naming of Grants with different criteria. Main reason for archived Programs is because of a down turn in Stocks and Fundraising Initiatives declining in today's current financial climate.

- Strategic Initiatives Fund - maybe introduced again / changing criteria
- Capital Investment Analysis - was for Business Case Studies - Not great uptake/need
- Community Foundations Matching Grant - from 2020 not a lot of uptake
- Community Halls & Recreations Facilities - from 2020 will be replaced with a Community Places Grant eventually
- Economic Diversification Infrastructure - will change name and criteria
- Housing Needs Assessment - will change to Housing Needs Grant and will be limited in its offering
- Rural Business and Community Recovery Regional Business Liaison - potentially restructured and reintroduced.

Essentially core programs that did not receive a lot of interest have been archived.

Sept. 29: Truth and Reconciliation Walk

Attended the Walk for Truth and Reconciliation 'Remembering the Children' put on by Desert Sands Community in downtown Ashcroft.

Oct. 3: All Candidates Forum

Participated in the All Candidates Forum at the Community Hall as I am running for re-election.

Respectfully submitted,

Nadine Davenport,
Councillor

COUNCIL COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORT

DATE: October 11, 2022
TO: Council
FROM: Councillor Tuohey

Deputy Mayor – November 1, 2021 – October 31, 2022

Assigned Committees/WG:

Heritage
 Health Care
 Communities in Bloom
 HUB Society
 Trails Master Plan WG
 Heritage Park / Community Garden WG

Alternate:

Cache Creek Environmental Assessment
 Seniors
 Municipal Insurance Association (MIA)

REPORT FOR UBCM AT WHISTLER SEPT 12-16

Sept. 12: Housing Futures, Housing Solutions

The discussion was made up of 3 different panels, first local governments identifying the problems and what they see as their local rolls. The second was the construction sector speaking about what governments are doing right and what they could do better. The third panel spoke of successes they have had with housing. My conclusion: There is a need to speed up the process for development. Focus on mixed services, low income, seniors, first time buyers and families. Increase the density, 2nd levels, carriage homes, basement suites, and smaller lots. Encourage seniors moving from large homes so families can purchase the larger ones.

Sept. 12: Reconciliation in Action

What I learned was to sit down and talk, listen to the stories if they want to talk. Work on things together, nothing can be forced. If you are invited to an event, be sure to go, even if it is not a formal invitation and participate as friends and neighbours.

Sept 13: Small Talk Forum

Communities of similar size get together to share experiences, difficulties, solutions and ideas.

Sept. 13: Re-envisioning Health Care in BC

The panel discussion about how things could improve and ideas for recruiting more doctors and retention were discussed. Guest speaker Adrien Dix used up most of his time with facts and figures and all the things he is doing right to continue with our great care and hospitals. He mentioned that he did not feel that we have a health crisis in British Columbia.

Sept 13: Reimagining Tourism

Lots of great ideas and discussion. Revite the community, make sure there is shade, things are tidy and have playgrounds. Lots of Interpretive signs, short bits of information tell our story. Host events that bring people into town to stay more than one day or weekend. Partnership with local groups working together. Make the community a place someone would want to live in.

Sept 14: Principal Policy Session and Resolutions

Voted on resolutions that should be taken to the provincial government to approve and consider for betterment of the communities.

Sept 14: Address by Minister of Municipal Affairs – Honourable Nathan Cullen

Sept. 15: Address by Leader of the Opposition Kevin Falcon

Sept. 15: Community Childcare Creation in BC

Minister of Education and Childcare Jennifer Whiteside spoke on the ways to improve daycare for BC. Having daycares that fill the hours required by parents can be a major benefit to attraction and retention of professionals and skilled workers that our communities require. Working together in partnerships to create new spaces, YMCA, School Districts, Electoral Areas, NDIT, Service groups, Credit Unions, and Native bands. There are grants available to do community assessment for design and for support following. Training of local people can be done locally to encourage people to work in the facilities. There is no deadline or financial cap on funding of facilities. I hope to move forward with this even when not on council as it is dear to my heart.

Sept. 16: New Board of Directors for UBCM announced and introduced.

Closing was an Address by the Premier: The Honourable John Horgan

Council as a whole also met with the Minister of Transportation and infrastructure concerning climate change and risks we see with Highway 97c. Minister of Climate Change Strategy discussing our Trail Master Plan with regards to use of Crown Land, liability, funding, development and maintenance. Emergency Preparedness, Parliamentary Secretary. Discussed rural first responders dealing with PTSD as well as capital for equipment used on highway responses.

September 29: Truth and Reconciliation Walk in downtown Ashcroft

Took part in the Truth and Reconciliation walk/parade in Ashcroft with my daughter and grandsons. Went for a luncheon at the Ashcroft Indian Band.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Tuohey,
Councillor