

THE CORPORATION OF THE VILLAGE OF SLOCAN
(Minutes of Council)

Slocan, British Columbia
May 8, 2023

THE REGULAR MEETING of the Municipal Council of The Corporation of the Village of Slocan, elected for the years 2022-2026, was held at the Slocan Village Office, Council Chambers, 503 Slocan Street, Slocan, B.C., on May 8, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Elected Officials

Mayor Jessica Lunn

Councillor Ezra Buller

Councillor Jordan Knott

Councillor Madeleine Perriere

Councillor Joanna Van Bynen

Appointed Personnel

Michelle Gordon, Chief Administrative Officer

Call to Order

Mayor Lunn called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Adopt Agenda

2023/90

Moved by Councillor Van Bynen, seconded by Councillor Perriere,

And Resolved:

That the agenda be adopted as amended, with the addition of one late item -
Items brought forward from In-Camera: 2022 Audited Financial Statements.

Minutes:

2023/91

Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Perriere,

And Resolved:

That the minutes of the Special Meeting of April 4, Regular Meeting of April 11, Special Meeting of April 17, and the Special Meeting of April 18, 2023 be adopted as presented.

Requests:

Film Commission
2023/92

Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Buller,

And Resolved:

That a letter be sent to the Kootenay Regional Film Commission, in support of their application to ETSI-BC's *Innovating and Advancing Key Sectors Grant Program*, in partnership with Community Futures Central Kootenay and the Nelson Civic Theatre Society, for a Kootenay Regional Film Studio Feasibility Study.

Fitness Center
2023/93

Moved by Councillor Van Bynen, seconded by Councillor Knott,

And Resolved:

That the request from Emma Smith, requesting Council consider lowering the age limit at the Slocan Fitness Center, be received, and that staff be directed to consult with the Slocan Fitness Center Advisory Commission on the

request; consult with the Village municipal insurance provider on the request; and research into age restrictions at similar municipal/regional facilities in our area and what their policies and procedures are.

Saturday Market
2023/94

Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Knott,
And Resolved:

That Council approve the request received from Christina Knight, representing the Slocan Saturday Market, to renew their Licence to Occupy the Expo Park upper bench area, concession, and washrooms, for the purpose of hosting a Saturday Market during the months of June, July and August, and a Harvest Market on the first Saturday of October, provided that all conditions are met.

Community Garden
2023/95

Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Knott,
And Resolved:

That Council approve a \$500 grant from the RDCK Community Development Fund, for the WE Graham Community Service Society's Food Bank Garden Bed Expansion Project.

Music & Art Fair
2023/96

Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Buller,
And Resolved:

That the request from the Slocan City International Music and Art Fair Association, to extend the outdoor live music curfew from 10pm to 11pm on Friday, June 16th and Saturday, June 17th, be approved.

Info Items:
2023/97

Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:

That the following items be received for information:

- a) RDCK Board Highlights – Regular Meeting, April 20, 2023
- b) Columbia River Treaty – Update on Committee Activities
- c) RDCK – National Volunteer Week
- d) Min. of Emergency Mgmt & Climate Readiness – Emergency Planning & Resources
- e) Don Currie, BC Seniors Games – 2023 Seniors Games, Abbotsford BC
- f) Ministry of Education & Skills – Future Ready Action Plan
- g) Steph Whitney – Curling Club
- h) Ministry of Jobs, Econ Dev't & Innovation – REDIP Grants Awarded in the Kootenay
- i) Ministry of Housing – Complete Communities Funding Program & Guide Launch
- j) Emergency Management BC – Emergency Preparedness Week Webinar
- k) Village of Slocan – Media Release: Public Works Unionization
- l) Village of Slocan Employment Opportunity – Labourers, Utility, Seasonal Workers

Emergency
Preparedness
2023/98

Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Buller,
And Resolved:

That staff be directed to investigate the *Community Emergency Preparedness Fund (CEPF)* for the potential to acquire a generator for the Village Office and Legion Hall.

BC Seniors Games
2023/99

Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:

That correspondence received from Don Currie, including information on the 2023 BC Seniors Games, be advertised.

Curling Club
2023/100

Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:

That correspondence received from Stephanie Whitney, regarding a celebration for the Curling Club before demolition, be received, and that staff connect with Stephanie on logistics.

Bylaws & Policies

Financial Plan
2023/101

Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:

That the "Village of Slocan Financial Plan (2023-2027) Bylaw No. ____, 2023" be finally passed and adopted, and numbered 705.

Tax Rate Bylaw
2023/102

Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Buller,
And Resolved:

That the "Village of Slocan Annual Tax Rate Bylaw No. ____, 2023" be finally passed and adopted, and numbered 706.

Code of Conduct
2023/103

Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Buller,
And Resolved:

That Policy No. 2023-42, *Council Code of Conduct*, be approved as presented.

**Items moved from
In-Camera**

Resolution #2023/c30 – April 17, 2023

That staff be directed to execute the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Village and Community Futures Central Kootenay, for the purpose of completing the 2023 Slocan Valley Economic Development Partnership Project, 'Slocan and Area Economic Diversification Capacity Building', funded through the Rural Economic Diversification and Infrastructure Program.

Resolution #2023/c31 – April 17, 2023

That resolution 2023/c30 be moved to open meeting.

Resolution #2023/c40 – April 18, 2023

That staff be directed to execute the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Village of Slocan and the Slocan Valley Housing Society, as amended, outlining the relationship between the Village and the Society with regards to the Slocan Affordable Housing Project.

Resolution #2023/c41 – April 18, 2023

That resolution 2023/c40 be moved to open meeting.

Resolution #2023/c46 – May 8, 2023

That the Village of Slocan Audited Financial Statements, ending December 31, 2022, be received and approved as presented.

Resolution #2023/c47 – May 8, 2023

That resolution 2023/c46 be moved to open meeting.

Reports:

Public Works
2023/104

Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:

That the Public Works Report for May 8, 2023 be received.

- 2023/105 Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Buller,
And Resolved:
 That staff be directed to schedule a Council tour of the water plant.
- 2023/106 Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Knott,
And Resolved:
 That Public Works be directed to investigate further Main Street speed
 calming measures.
- CAO Report
2023/107 Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
 That the CAO Report for May 8, 2023 be received.
- Buller
2023/108 Moved by Councillor Van Bynen, seconded by Councillor Knott,
And Resolved:
 That Councillor Buller's verbal report on the Fitness Center Commission
 meeting, be received.
- Van Bynen
2023/109 Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Buller,
And Resolved:
 That Councillor Van Bynen's verbal report on the Owl Walk meeting, be
 received.
- Mayor's Report
2023/110 Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
 That the Mayor's verbal report for May 8, 2023 be received.
- Fitness Center
Meeting Minutes
2023/111 Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
 That the Slocan Fitness Center Advisory Commission meeting minutes of
 March 27, 2023 be received.
- Adjournment**
2023/112 Moved by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:
 That the meeting be adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor