

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

Slocan, British Columbia
March 10, 2025

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 March 10, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Elected Officials
Mayor Jessica Lunn
Councillor Ezra Buller
Councillor Jordan Knott
Councillor Madeleine Perriere

ABSENT: Councillor Joanna Van Bynen

Appointed Personnel
Patricia Dehnel, Interim Chief Administrative Officer

Call to Order

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

Adopt Agenda

2025/50

Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
That the agenda be adopted with the addition of items Committee of the Whole Minutes of March 10, 2025 and the Columbia Basin Trust Contribution Agreement.

Minutes:

2025/51

Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 10th, 2025 be adopted as presented.

2025/52

Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
That the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting of March 10th, 2025 be adopted as presented.

Recommendations:

CBT REACH
Program
2025/53

Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
And Resolved:
That staff be directed to sign the Contribution Agreement of \$50,000 from Columbia Basin Trust and complete the workplan prior to June 30, 2025 and further that the Village send a letter of thanks to the Board of Directors for developing the program and providing funds for a much needed accessibility upgrade for our community's children.

CBT Mill Site Engagement 2025/54	Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere, And Resolved: That staff be directed to sign the Contribution Agreement of \$22,000 from Columbia Basin Trust towards the Slocan Mill Site Community Engagement Project.
<u>Requests:</u> Harmony Festival 2025/55	Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere, And Resolved: That Council approve the request from Lisa Parente of <i>Treehuggers Retreats and Events</i> , for use of Slocan Beach to host a “Harmony Community Festival” in June 2025, pending submission of a completed Special Events Application and proof of insurance; and that permission be granted for use of the stage and the event sound curfew be 11:00 pm.
Harmony Community Development 2025/56	Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Knott, And Resolved That an RDCK Community Development Grant in the amount of \$1200 be awarded to cover the costs of portable toilet rental, generator rental and three – one month gym pass donations.
Slocan Valley Legacy Fund 2025/57	Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere, And Resolved: That the Village provide a letter of support to the Harmony Community Festival and act as fiscal agent for their Slocan Valley Legacy Fund application.
WEGCC Egg Hunt 2025/58	Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Knott, And Resolved: That Council award \$150 from the RDCK Discretionary Grant Fund, to the 2025 Annual Easter Egg Hunt and that the organizer work with the Village staff to determine a temporary location for the 2025 hunt due to the construction at Expo Fields.
<u>Info Items:</u> CFCK-Workforce Housing 2025/59	Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere, And Resolved: That staff contact Community Futures Central Kootenay for a meeting to update the Village on Available Land, Existing Housing Projects and Community Priorities/Needs.
ETSI Funding 2025/60	Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere, And Resolved: That staff be directed to apply for the ETSI BC Spring Funding Intake for funds towards the Harold Street project.
Art of Safe Keeping 2025/61	Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere, And Resolved: That the Village provide a letter of support to “The Art of Safe Keeping” project to assist with funding applications.

Info Items:

2025/62	Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere, And Resolved: That the following items be received for information: a) Community Futures Exploring Workforce Housing Partnerships b) WEGCSS Thank you for support in 2024 c) Abbotsford UBCM Support for Resolution d) RDCK Emergency Management Invitation to Residents Impacted by 2024 wildfire e) Community Forest Association February 2025 Newsletter f) Environmental Impact Assessment for Zincton All Seasons Resort g) ETSI BC Spring 2025 Funding Intake Open March 10, 2025 h) The Art of Safe Keeping – New Denver project i) RDCK Tipping Fee information
CAO Report 2025/63	Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Knott, And Resolved: That the CAO and Project Coordinator combined March 10, 2025 Report be received.
Public Works Report 2025/64	Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere, And Resolved: That the Public Works Summary Report for February 2025 be received
Buller 2025/65	Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere, And Resolved: That Councillor Buller's verbal Report for March 10, 2025 be received.
Knott 2025/66	Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Buller, And Resolved: That Councillor Knott's verbal Report for March 10, 2025 be received.
Mayor's Report 2025/67	Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere, And Resolved: That the Mayor's verbal Report for March 10, 2025 be received.
Slocan Valley Economic Development 2025/68	Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere, And Resolved: That the Village re-enter and sign the Slocan Valley Economic Development Partnership agreement.
Move Interpretive Sign 2025/69	Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Knott, And Resolved: That staff coordinate with the Historical Society to move the interpretive sign from the former Curling Club grounds to the campground.
TOR for 125 Celebration 2025/70	Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Perriere, And Resolved: That staff draft Terms of Reference to strike a committee of Council to plan the Village's 125 th birthday celebration in August 2026.

**Items moved from
In-Camera**

2025/c45: That the Village of Slocan contribute \$12,600 of the Community Works Grant (CWG) to Area H to fund the Fire Department Architectural Review, per RDCK Board resolution 726/24.

Public Comment

Johnson

Provided information from Slocan Valley Historical Society on ideas to celebrate Slocan's 125th birthday; requested the interpretive sign be moved; advised has fundraised \$6000 towards adding a heat-pump to control temperature in the archives of Village Hall; an archivist will be working in Slocan archives for 6 weeks.

Booth

Letter received concerning Earthing at the Park and offer to volunteer to help with annual beach clean-up.

Adjournment

2025/71

Moved by Councillor Knott,
And Resolved
That the meeting be adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor