

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

Slocan, British Columbia
February 9, 2026

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 February 9, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Elected Officials
Mayor Lunn (Electronic Attendance)
Acting Mayor Jordan Knott
Councillor Ezra Buller
Councillor Madeleine Perriere
Councillor Joanna Van Bynen

Appointed Personnel
Michelle Gordon, Chief Administrative Officer
Frances Frobb, Administrative Assistant

Call to Order Acting Mayor Knott called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Adopt Agenda Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
2026/15 And Resolved:
 That the agenda be adopted as presented.

Minutes: Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Buller,
2026/16 And Resolved:
 That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 12th, 2026 be adopted as
 presented.

Audience: Eden DuPont and Rachel Nissenbaum, on behalf of the Osprey Community
Osprey Community Foundation, presented information on the Neighbourhood Small Grants Program.
Foundation

2026/17 Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Perriere,
 And Resolved:
 That information regarding the Neighbourhood Small Grants program will be
 made available to the public via the website and newsletter.

Recommendation: Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
2025 Building Permit And Resolved:
Year End Report That the 2025 Building Permit Year End Report be received for information.
2026/18

2025 Fitness Center Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Perriere ,
Year End Report And Resolved:
2026/19 That the 2025 Fitness Center Year End Report be received for information,
 and that the financial entries be posted to accounts.

AKBLG Conference
2026/20

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

That Mayor Lunn and Councillors Knott, Buller, and Perriere be authorized to attend the AKBLG Conference in Trail, BC on April 17-19, 2026.

2026/21

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

That staff be directed to follow up with Council regarding registration and accommodation details for the AKBLG Conference.

ReDi Grant Public
Input Meeting
2026/22

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

That a Public Input Meeting be held on April 20, 2026 commencing at 5:00pm, at which time applicants will be invited to give a 5-minute presentation and answer any questions on their applications; and further, that a Special Meeting be scheduled for April 27, 2026 at 6:00pm to deliberate the allocation of funds.

Requests:

ONA Fish in Schools
2026/23

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

That Council award \$1,000 from the RDCK Community Development Grant Fund to the Okanagan Nation Alliance, for their 2026 Fish in Schools Program.

Osprey Foundation
Funding Request
2026/24

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

That the funding request received from the Osprey Foundation be tabled to the March 9th, 2026 meeting, to allow time to review if the request would be applicable under the RDCK Community Development Grant Funding Policy.

Info Items:

2026/25

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

That the following items be received for information:

- a) RDCK Board Highlights – Regular Meeting of January 22, 2026
- b) LGCAP – 2025 Reporting & 2024 Summary Report
- c) Heritage BC – Heritage Week (Feb 16-22, 2026)
- d) Ombudsperson – Updated Open Meetings Guide for Local Governments
- e) Andrew Gage – Sue Big Oil Update: Collaboration with Saanich
- f) Autonomous Sinixt – Proposed Logging Concerns
- g) District of Highlands – Bill M216
- h) Interfor – Notification of Operations Letter
- i) RDCK – Grace Period Begins for Organic Waste Collection
- j) Living Lakes Canada – Groundwater Report for the Columbia Basin
- k) State of the Basin – What Park Use Signals About Life in the Basin
- l) AKBLG – 2026 Convention and Call for Resolution Deadline
- m) Slocan Valley Chamber of Commerce – February Newsletter & Calendar
- n) Slocan Valley Chamber of Commerce – Special General Meeting Notice
- o) CBT New Release – Broadband Fibre Network Update
- p) Ministry of Municipal Affairs – 2026 General Local Elections – Key Dates
- q) Statistics Canada – Census Newsletter
- r) Statistics Canada – Census Outreach

- Sue Big Oil
2026/26
- Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Buller ,
And Resolved:
That correspondence received from Andrew Gage, regarding the Sue Big Oil campaign be received, and that convey that due to limited resources, the Village of Slocan cannot assist with the research collaboration, but would like to stay informed by maintaining communication and receiving updates from the Village of Saanich moving forward.
- Statistics Canada
Census Outreach
2026/27
- Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Buller ,
And Resolved:
That staff publicize the Census Outreach and employment opportunities in the newsletter and on the Village website.
- Reports:**
- Public Works Report
2026/28
- Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen ,
And Resolved:
That the Public Works report be received for information.
- 2026/29
- Moved by Mayor Lunn, seconded by Councillor Buller,
And Resolved:
That Expo Field Maintenance discussions be tabled to Council's strategic planning session.
- 2026/30
- Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Buller ,
And Resolved:
That staff send a letter to the Winter Carnival organizers, expressing concerns about materials being left onsite for several weeks, post-event.
- CAO Report
2026/31
- Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen ,
And Resolved:
That the CAO's report for February 2026, be received.
- 2026/32
- Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Buller ,
And Resolved:
That staff be directed to sent a letter to Steller Vista Credit Union, conveying disappointment regarding the cancellation of the prepayment program for taxes and utilities.
- Perriere
2026/33
- Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen ,
And Resolved:
That Councillor Perriere's verbal report on the Affordable Housing Project, be received.
- Buller
2026/34
- Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen ,
And Resolved:
That Councillor Buller's verbal report on the Joint Resource Recovery Meeting and Regional Hospital District Meeting, be received.
- Van Bynen
2026/35
- Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Perriere ,
And Resolved:
That Councillor Van Bynen's verbal report on Millsite fencing, be received.

Mayor
2026/36

Moved by Councillor Van Bynen, seconded by Councillor Buller ,
And Resolved:
That Mayor Lunn's report for February 9, 2026, be received.

Bylaws:

Campground
Rates
2026/37

Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Perriere ,
And Resolved:
That the CAO's report on municipal campground rates be received.

2026/38

Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen ,
And Resolved:
That Council increase campground rates for the 2026 season as
recommended by staff.

2026/39

Moved by Councillor Van Bynen, seconded by Councillor Buller ,
And Resolved:
That staff be directed to prepare an amendment to the Fees & Charges Bylaw.

Cemetery Rates
& Bylaw Review
2026/40

Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen ,
And Resolved:
That Council increase Cemetery rates as proposed, and that staff be directed
to prepare an amendment to the Fees & Charges Bylaw.

2026/41

Moved by Councillor Perriere, seconded by Councillor Buller ,
And Resolved:
That Council give first, second, and third readings to the "Village of Slocan
Cemetery Bylaw No. __ , 2026" by title only.

Fees & Charges
Bylaw Amendment
2026/42

Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Perriere ,
And Resolved:
That the "Village of Slocan Fees and Charges Amendment Bylaw No.____,
2026" be read a first, second, and third time, by title only.

**Items Brought
Forward from
In-Camera:**

"That Council appoint Councillor Van Bynen, as the Village Representative, to the
Slocan 125th Birthday Celebration Committee"

"That Council appoint Anitra Winje, Lynnda Moore, Karen McTavish, Chris Hird,
Emily Beamer, and Shanoon Bennett to the *Slocan 125th Birthday Celebration
Committee.*"

Public Participation:

Warner

Wilfred Warner inquired about cremation rates for weekdays and weekends, and
commented on Steller Vista Credit Union's decision to cancel the Tax and Utility
Prepayment Plan.

Frederickson

Dave Fredrickson inquired about the Sea Can bylaw, Boundary Expansion
Committee Meeting, water user fee increase, Sue Big Oil Campaign, the Expo Field
maintenance meeting, Centennial Committee appointments, and the closing date for
ReDi Grant applications.

Adjournment

2026/43

Moved by Councillor Van Bynen,

And resolved:

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor