

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

Slocan, British Columbia
April 13, 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 April 13, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Elected Officials
Mayor Lunn
Councillor Jordan Knott
Councillor Ezra Buller (electronic attendance)
Councillor Joanna Van Bynen

ABSENT: Councillor Madeleine Perriere

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

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

Adopt Agenda Moved by Councillor Van Bynen, seconded by Councillor Knott,
2026/76 And Resolved:
 That the agenda be adopted as presented.

Minutes: Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
2026/77 And Resolved:
 That the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 9th, 2026 be adopted as
presented.

Recommendations:
Legion Heating Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
Grant in Aid And Resolved:
2026/78 That Council provide a \$1,382.37 RDCK Community Development Grant to the
Slocan Legion, representing a Grant-in-Aid for 50% of the Hall's heating costs
throughout the months of December 2025 to March 2026.

Requests:
Councillor Knott *Councillor Knott removed himself from the meeting at 7:08pm due to a conflict of
interest regarding the next agenda item.*

Slocan Village Market Moved by Councillor Buller, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
Landscaping & And Resolved:
Parking Plan Proposal That Council approve the request received from the Slocan Village Market, to
2026/79 proceed with temporary landscape and parking improvements on Village road

right-of-way along Ward Avenue, directly adjacent to the south side of 519 Harold Street, including parking area levelling and read crush, curb-style concrete barriers to establish angled parking stalls, and a paving stone path and seating area.

Councillor Knott

Councillor Knott returned to the meeting at 7:10 pm.

Harmony Festival
2026/80

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

That Council approve the request from Lisa Parente of *Treehugger Events Society*, for use of the Slocan Beach to host a festival at the beach from Friday, July 3rd to Sunday, July 5th, 2026, pending submission of a completed Special Events Application, proof of insurance, and submission of all other Village requirements.

2026/81

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

That outdoor live music on Saturday, July 4th be permitted to extend to 11:00pm.

2026/82

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

That Council approve the request for permission to use the beach washrooms during the Harmony Festival, provided that organizers be responsible for cleaning, removing garbage, and providing paper products, and that organizers arrange to have a plumber on call for minor maintenance issues.

2026/83

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

That Council approve covering the cost of one portable toilet to spread out usage during the Harmony Festival Event, valued at approximately \$950, to be withdrawn from the RDCK Community Development Fund.

2026/84

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

That Council not approve covering the cost of a generator rental and fuel, valued at approximately \$600.

2026/85

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

That Public Works assist with beach access, for the purpose of delivering a load of sand to the beach volleyball court.

2026/86

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

That Council approve set up to begin one day before the event begins on Thursday, July 2nd, and clean up to finish a day after the event, Monday, July 6th.

- Historical Society
Steam Winch Request
2026/87
- Moved by Councillor Van Bynen, seconded by Councillor Knott ,
And Resolved:
That the Slocan Valley Historical Society's Request to make improvements to the Steam Winch Display at the Slocan Campground be approved in principle, pending submission of workplan and design plans to the Village for approval.
- Slocan's 125th
Birthday Celebration
2026/88
- Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen ,
And Resolved:
That Council approve closure of a *one-block section* of Harold Street, from Ward Avenue to Delany Avenue, on Saturday, July 18th after 11:00am.
- 2026/89
- Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:
That Committee members speak with business owners in the commercial corridor, to ensure the proposed parking plan during the event is suitable, and that applicable signage and marked detour routes be mandatory during the event to direct traffic.
- 2026/90
- Moved by Councillor Van Bynen, seconded by Councillor Knott ,
And Resolved:
That Council approve the request to place four (4) porta potties next to the old W1 building on Harold Street, and that volunteers be assigned to ensure cleanliness of toilets throughout the duration of the event, including supply of paper products.
- 2026/91
- Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen ,
And Resolved:
That Council award \$5000 from the RDCK Community Development Grant Fund, to the 125th Slocan Birthday Celebration.
- 2026/92
- Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen ,
And Resolved:
That Council members attend the event, to officially cut the birthday cake and dedicate the time capsule.
- 2026/93
- Moved by Councillor Knott, seconded by Councillor Van Bynen,
And Resolved:
That committee members be directed to speak with the Slocan Valley Housing Society, to discuss placing the time capsule and commemorative tree on or near the site of the new affordable housing project.
- Next Generation
911 Funding
2026/94
- Moved by Mayor Lunn, seconded by Councillor Buller,
And Resolved:
That the Council of the Village of Slocan supports the Regional District of Central Kootenay applying to the Union of BC Municipalities for funding through the 2026 Next Generation 911 Program;
- And Further, that the Village of Slocan approves the Regional District of Central Kootenay to apply for, receive, and manage the grant funding on its behalf for the proposed regional Next Generation 911 readiness project.

Info Items:

2026/95

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

That the following items be received for information:

- a) RDCK Board Highlights – Regular Meeting of March 19, 2026
- b) Slocan Valley Chamber of Commerce – March 2026 Newsletter
- c) Village of Pouce Coupe – UBCM Resolution Submissions
- d) FCM – Funding for New Trees to Enhance Your Community
- e) WEGCSS – New Name Announcement
- f) RDCK – Understanding the Building Permit Process in the RDCK
- g) Cube 2.0 – Regional Infrastructure Expansion & Economic Development
- h) Town of View Royal – Judicial Review Coalition Update – Housing Legislation
- i) Provincial Budget 2027 Consultation
- j) AKBLG – Health Care Conversation
- k) AKBLG – Call for Nominations
- l) Daphne Fields & Wulf Mense – Cell Tower Concerns

2026/96

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

That staff be directed to look into the FCM *New Trees to Enhance Your Community* Program as a potential contribution to the Harold Street Project.

Reports:

Public Works Report
2026/97

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

That the Public Works Report for April 13, 2026, be received.

CAO Report
2026/98

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

That the CAO Report for April 13, 2026, be received.

Buller
2026/99

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

That Councillor Buller's verbal report on the Resource Recovery Meeting be received.

Knott
2026/100

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

That Councillor Knott's verbal report on the Harold Street Stakeholder Meeting and Harold Street project, be received.

Mayor
2026/101

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

That the Mayor's verbal report be received.

Bylaws:

Loan Authorization
Bylaw – Mill Site Loan
2026/102

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

That Council give first, second and third readings to the "Village of Slocan Loan Authorization Bylaw No ___, 2026" by title only, and that staff be directed to submit the Bylaw to the Inspector of Municipalities for approval.

Committee Minutes:

Slocan 125th Birthday
2026/103

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

That the Slocan 125th Birthday Celebration Committee Minutes of March 2nd and
March 23rd, 2026, be received.

Public Participation:

Fields

Daphne Fields raised concerns about cell towers and the resulting health effects, and
expressed her support of providing the “Last Mile” of fibre optic cable to Slocan.

Johnson

Joyce Johnson expressed gratitude for Council's support, for the Slocan Valley
Historical Society's proposed project to restore and enhance the Steam Winch at the
Campground.

Adjournment

2026/104

Moved by Councillor Van Bynen,

And resolved:

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

Chief Administrative Officer

Mayor