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2021 May 31

Mayor and Council, City of Salmon Arm 500 2nd Avenue, NE Salmon Arm, B. C.

V1E 4N2

Dear Sir/Madam:

My wife and I moved to beautiful Salmon Arm two years ago. We bought our first brand new house in the Hillcrest Area, specifically 24 Street SE There was a treed area behind our house, that we were told wouldn't be built on, it's steep and was designated park land.

The City has recently put in a very nice walking path. Paths and walking areas are important, but we feel it could be dangerous for young children and other trail users because of the following reasons: we have a four foot cement block wall at the back of our property, our neighbors south of us have a much higher wall and up the street up to a twelve foot high wall.

A couple of days back we had a man come into our yard from the walking path, his dog was off leash and got away from him, scrambled down the bank, through our garden and over the wall. The man was eventually able to get the dog back up the wall, but it wasn't easy.

At the south end of our street the path has a wire fence along the side of it. Could the city not extend that fence so that all the properties along this new part of the walking path are protected, and prevent children, adults, dogs, and bikes coming off the trail and into our yards, possibly breaking a leg or arm, or even their necks.

I realize that there is quite a cost involved, but in the long run could prevent injuries. In talking to other neighbors I was told that the concern is shared. I do not feel that we should be responsible for the cost of a fence, as it was the walking path that changed the safety of the area. Two neighbors north of us have put up a fence to protect their privacy, their property is lower, so a fence accomplished this.

I would appreciate your consideration in this matter, and look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you.

Alan Rollen's Alan Rollins

Email:

Phone Number:

Address:

Salmon Arm, B. C. V1E 0E3

CC Darin Gerow, Chris Larson

RECEIVED MAY 312021 CITY OF SALMON ARM From: DB Sent: Thursday, June 10, 2021 9:46 AM To: Chelsea Van de Cappelle Subject: RE: Tax notice

Good morning Chelsea,

thank you for the answer. I understand how is calculate property tax and I did not complained about assessed value of the property- still does not mean I agree with that. My concern was about provided public amenities { I described them in previous email } which were limited. In my opinion, if services are limited, should be somehow reflect to the tax numbers. I feel we must pay extra this year, for what city provided for the last months, specially if city received Covid grant{ what is tax payers money anyway}. I know is declared pandemic, excuse for everything these days. But we should always keep common sense and fairness. The time will show, what is this pandemic about.

Thank you very much.

Regards, Daniel

PS1: I have no problem you resend this conversation to mayor or council.

PS2: Could you provide me direct email to mayor please?

----- Original Message ------

On Monday, June 7th, 2021 at 1:35 PM, Chelsea Van de Cappelle

Good afternoon Mr. Bardy,

Thank you for your email. I hope I am able to address your concerns, please see the attached letter of response. In addition, please let me know if you would like me to forward your inquiry to Mayor and Council.

Kind regards,

Chelsea Van de Cappelle, CPA | Chief Financial Officer

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From: Daniel.bardy Sent: Friday, June 4, 2021 8:25 AM To: Cindy Sholinder Subject: Tax notice

To whom it may concern,

I received property tax notice and I'm just wondering if you have calculated taxes regarding to closure or limited access to public amenities like a Heritage park, Recreational Centre, Arena, library, etc. Also access to hospital and doctors was limited, speak nothing of all obstacles like short public hours in city hall etc. Don't even mentioned city laid off people because of closure of amenities, so expenses of city went down. To me it looks a bit unfair when I have to pay full price despite of all things I mentioned above.

Thank you for consideration.

Regards, Daniel



June 7, 2021

Daniel Bardy

Salmon Arm, BC V1E 3E7

Re: Property Taxes and COVID 19 Budget Impacts

Thank you for your email outlining your concerns with respect to your property taxation and the development of the City of Salmon Arm (City) budget as related to COVID 19 impacts. I will attempt to provide clarification on the change in your taxes and the development of the 2021 City budget.

The COVID 19 pandemic has created significant hardships for many. Council has recognized this impact and as a result has taken several actions to try and limit any further financial stresses on residents while also maintaining the needs of the community. Some of these actions include:

- The previously approved general municipal tax increase for the 2020 taxation year was reduced from 2.52% to 0% for all property classes. The City funded the revenue shortfall as a result of this from its Emergency Reserve;
- The 2020 Tax Due Date was extended from July 2 to September 30, 2020;
- The Statutory Property Tax Sale for delinquent taxes was deferred for an additional year;
- A hiring "freeze" on part-time and relief staff; and
- Temporary parking of some capital projects to ensure sufficient funding in place for other operational needs.

The City was fortunate to receive a \$3.5 million COVID 19 Safe Restart Grant in 2020. This assisted in balancing approximately \$625,000.00 in revenue deficits, additional COVID related expenses and replenishing the Emergency Reserve in 2020.

Access to public amenities as you have noted in your email, including City Hall, was reduced as directed by Provincial Health Orders and to ensure the safety of staff and the public. While inperson City Hall access was limited, every attempt was made to meet the needs of the public via phone, email and other means. While some operating costs may have been reduced, so too were revenues generated that assisted in reducing the impact of these costs. The actions taken by Council as related to operating hours and staffing at both the SASCU Recreation Centre and Shaw Centre resulted in the costs of operating these facilities coming in as originally budgeted with no additional cost to taxpayers.

For the 2021 taxation year, Council offset budgeted operational deficits, projects and fiscal pressures in the amount of \$1.38 million with COVID 19 Safe Restart Grant Funding. As a result, a 0.5% increase to general municipal taxes was required to balance the budget.



As I am sure you are aware, property taxes are calculated using a formula based on the assessed value of properties. Over the period of 2019 to 2021, the assessed value of your property increased from the assessed value of your total property tax bill increased from to account to a many and an increase of 18%. In the same period your total property tax bill increased from the assessed to account an increase of 13%. Please note that the Garbage and Recycling user fee is not a tax and has therefore been excluded from this analysis.

The chart below reflects the changes in your assessment and tax levy from 2019 to 2021.

Tax	Assessment	General	Water	Sewer	Transportation	Other	Total
Year		Municipal	Frontage	Frontage	Parcel Tax	Governments	
2019							
2020							
2021							

The City's portion of your tax levy consists of general municipal taxes, water frontage tax, sewer frontage tax and the transportation parcel tax. The remaining taxes are collected on behalf of other government agencies such as the Provincial Minister of Finance (School Tax), BC Assessment Authority, Columbia Shuswap Regional District, Columbia Shuswap and North Okanagan Hospital Districts, Okanagan Regional Library and Municipal Finance Authority pursuant to each organization's requisition to the City. The City does not set the tax rates for these other government agencies nor does it have control over tax increases or decreases in these areas.

The chart below reflects the increase and decrease in taxes between 2019 and 2021 that is attributed to general municipal taxes, water and sewer frontage, transportation parcel tax, other government agencies and the portion that is attributed to changes in your assessment.

Tax Year	General Water		Sewer	Transportation	Assessment	Other	Total
	Municipal	Frontage	Frontage	Parcel Tax		Governments	
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The BC Assessment Authority determines the assessed value of your property using a variety of approaches (sales in the area, actual cost, etc.). It is important to review your property assessment during the appeal period if you believe your property is overvalued. The BC Assessment Authority is an independent government body over which the City exercises neither control nor influence. For more information on the BC Assessment Authority's process or for questions regarding your assessment please visit their website at www.bcassessment.ca or contact them by telephone at 1-866-825-8322.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 250-803-4032 or email at cvandecappelle@salmonarm.ca.

Yours truly

Chelsea Van de Cappelle, CPA Chief Financial Officer

From: Blake Newton Sent: Monday, June 14, 2021 4:52 PM To: Caylee Simmons Subject: Industrial storage replies.

Caylee,

As promised I am going to put forward a concern that I would like to bring forward. As someone with a commercial interest in Salmon Arm and in the industrial zone here with tenants, tenants and neighbors who own the properties, lease them or have employees who rely on these businesses it was alarming to see a column that was to many of us disconcerting. As I pointed out development of land (as proven by the old Newenes grounds which existed in the city core which developed into a myriad of new businesses) should be evolutionary. I believe that the approach used by the city's director of development services, Kevin Pearson where. he advocated for keeping the status quo is something that the majority of businesses in the industrial zone believe in. The idea however that would cap storage use at under 20% of available land in our view hamstrings the potential of business development. I can assure you that I have not heard of prospective tenants and I have land available as does the majority of land owners here. I cannot imagine that BC Hydro or Bid Group for example would like to be relegated to a fraction of their outside storage. In this instance I would recommend that City Council re evaluate their position on this. I personally don't wish to get into an adversarial conflict with the municipality. It's in the interests of all stakeholders to work together. The effects of such a restrictive potential bylaw would adversely affect tax revenues as well as lead to a distrust of each other. I hope that you point my concerns out to Town Council. Anyways, I hope that we can resolve the issues in a way that we all are satisfied with.

Regards, K. Blake Newton.

-----Original Message-----From: Lance Reimer Sent: Tuesday, June 15, 2021 10:52 AM To: Kevin Pearson Subject: Regulating Storage Businesses

Hi Kevin,

I've put some thought into your email and just read the article in the salmon arm observer regarding storage yards.

Couple of thoughts I've had in regards to the article.

We currently are supporting 5 local families off the business we have created. A large portion of the business is out of province clients that store both Boats/RV's and personal possessions with us. There is a large amount of work created in our locations from local salmon arm business servicing and repairing boats and RV's for the out of province customers.

As for the potential loss of revenue for salmon arm, there should be a tool to capture the loss in revenue from the dozen or more illegal storage yards surrounding salmon arm.

Thanks Kevin.

Lance Reimer



To: Development and Planning Services Committee and the City of Salmon Arm City Council From: Marty Bray, President and CEO of Aviator Business Park Inc. Date: June 16, 2021 Subject: Storage Zoning – For Information Letter of May 31, 2021

Dear Reader,

It was brought to our attention at Aviator that there is some discontent with respect to mini and outdoor storage facilities in Salmon Arm. We understand that there are several issues that are causing this discontent, they are:

- Aesthetically unattractive nature of the buildings and services that are provided. These include outdoor storage facilities, steel structured buildings that can dilapidate quickly, steal containers that provide safety and inspection issues
- Failure to comply with bylaws and permit requirements by storage providers
- Lack of warehousing, industrial, and commercial facilities in the area that is experiencing rapid growth
- Manufacturing and industrial activities occurring in residential neighbourhoods making the existing industrial land critical for future development
- Competitive posturing by market participants

We at Aviator are aware of all of these challenges and it was always our goal to provide and build mini storage warehousing that was of the utmost quality and design, utilizing concrete split faced stone materials. Our goal for outdoor storage was to utilize and maximize the land in the most efficient manner possible in order to generate revenue that could help fund other big and bold ideas. The ownership of Aviator generates modest incomes and took a significant risk to acquire this land, the two principals investing their life savings into this Project.



That said, the principals believed that we could design and develop a Business Park with the overall ambition of providing not only much needed mini warehousing buildings, but also design and build quality industrial and commercial buildings that are as sustainable and resilient as possible. Examples include:

- Designing the mini storage warehouses to have the ability to install solar panels. Thus, generating a significant amount of energy based on the roof design and space on the structures.
- Allow all of the buildings to be multi dimensional in nature and factor into the overall design of the Business Park
- Potentially utilize geothermal technology for air conditioning and heat, this could make the business park a zero carbon building development
- Utilize the space effectively for septic, due to the sewer challenges the area faces
- Allow businesses to benefit from built in resiliency that could be instrumental in the new climate environment

Based on the momentum we see in the market for the demand for industrial and commercial warehousing, we hope to have another Development Permit submitted to the City as soon as possible. This will lay out the ambitions for the next phase of our development which will include building warehousing facilities for industrial and commercial customers.

Our plan has always been to work closely with the city as we work through our ideas and see the City as an essential stakeholder in our vision. Thus, the M7 proposal would make the most sense in this instance, at least for us. This would give the city the ability to review the suitability and viability of the projects. When business owners can go through a thoughtful design process that would provide a compelling argument for their storage projects. Decisions could then be made based on how the projects contribute to the city's financial, sustainability and resiliency plans. From: Kirsten Earl Sent: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 11:46 AM To: Caylee Simmons Subject: Blackburn park booking

The Shuswap Lady Striders would like to book the covered area at Blackburn Park for a small breakfast gathering on Thursday 15th July at 9am

Kirsten Earl

From: Gail McAllister To: Caylee Simmons Subject: Use of Pavilion

Our mother Grace Aldred passed away on June 10 at the age of 96. She has 13 surviving children, grandchildren and great great grandchildren.

We will be doing grave side service on Aug the 21 2021, in the am.

Following this from approximately 11 am to 3pm., we would like to gather for a family luncheon and picture taking. We are requesting the Pavilion so we are out of the weather.

There could be between 50-75 people. Most of us have had COVID vaccines. Most will have had both shots. We will still follow all Covid rules. If there are restrictions at that time we will abide by them.

The luncheon will consist of platters of meats, cheeses, fruit and vegetables. We are getting these from Save-On-Foods.

We will also get the 2 million liability insurance.

Thank you for your consideration, the family of Grace Aldred.

Gail McAllister

Salmon Arm, BC

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MIDAS Extraction Co.

May 31, 2021



City of Salmon Arm Ms. Erin Jackson, Director of Corporate Services 500 2nd Avenue NE Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4N2

TO: Ms. Erin Jackson

RE: Cannabis Processing and Production

Pursuant to section 6.7 of the Cannabis Licensing Application Guide under the Cannabis Act and corresponding Cannabis Regulations, this letter is served as a notice advising that Midas Extraction Corp. is applying for a Standard Cannabis Processing Licence under Health Canada's Cannabis Act. This license will be held and operated by Midas Extraction Corp. at the business site address:

5851 Auto Rd SE Salmon Arm, BC V1E2X2

The application is proposed was submitted to Health Canada on April 23, 2021 for the intended activities of receiving, processing, sale, destruction, shipping, and delivery of cannabis and cannabis products. Cannabis and cannabis products include fresh material, dried material, and cannabis extracts.

If you require any further information, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Best regards,

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Gerald Clancy Responsible Person Midas Extraction Corp. 250-833-7787 geraldc@validmfg.com



Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing on behalf of Okanagan Foster Parents Association (OFPA), and in partnership with Ministry of Children and Family Development (MCFD), to request the use of Blackburn Park in Salmon Arm. The event would take place on July 15th, 2021, from 4:00pm-6:00pm.

The group would include foster parents from the Shuswap areas, their foster children and youth, some Ministry staff, and myself.

Following approval, a registration form will be sent to foster parents, therefore we will be able to know the number of people wanting to attend, and ensure we are compliance with all PHO rules regarding COVID-19 protocols. This will include the number of people in attendance, physical distancing, masks if required, hand sanitizer, hand wipes, disposable dishes and utensils. Dinner will be pre-ordered pizzas, bottled water, juice boxes, and snacks.

Please let me know if you require any further information.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Heather Lessard Foster Parent Coordinator – Shuswap Okanagan Foster Parents Association <u>shuswapsupport@okfosterparents.ca</u> 1-250-515-1522





David Byers Community Services Director P.O. Box 505 191 2nd Avenue NE Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4N6 CS Office: (250) 832-9194 Fax: (250) 832-9148 June 11, 2021

To Mayor and Council:

The Salvation Army was approached by Turtle Valley and Friends; a local band from Turtle Valley who are looking to do a fundraiser at the gazebo by the wharf on July 17, 2021, the concert will run from 6-9pm we will need access to the services from about 4:30-10:00pm. The Salvation Army will provide the certificate of insurance for \$2,000,000. We will do our best to follow the provincial health regulations that are in place at that time to ensure safety for all who attend.

Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely David Byers Salvation Army Salmon Arm Community services Director. SALMON ARM MUSEUM & HERITAGE ASSOCIATION AT

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R.J. Haney Heritage Village & Museum

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P.O. Box 1642

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Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4P7

June 10, 2021

Mayor and Council

City of Salmon Arm PO Box 40 Salmon Arm, BC V1E4N2

Re: Rodenticide ban

Dear Mayor and Council

Our Board and Advisory Committee have discussed this ban and directed manager Susan Mackie to contact other facilities like ours to find out what they do about rodent control and to seek guidance from our pest control contractor. The results of this research are as follows:

- 1. Barkerville has a huge rodent problem. According to the manager, they use hundreds of snap traps, and the mouse problem is still out of control. Last year they adopted two feral cats and that has helped a little bit.
- 2. Fort Steel Rodenticide is used to control rodents. They have a contract with the local pest control business that attends the site weekly. Most activity is noticed around the bakery.
- 3. Our Orkin contractor advises us that the company has voluntarily ceased using the rodenticides known to have a high risk of secondary deaths. The products they use are low risk and approved by health Canada and Environment Canada. The product in current use does not take a week to kill the rodent, it works much faster than the earlier ones which they have stopped using The contractor told Susan that the main problem is when rodenticides are used outdoors, which is not how they are intended or licenced to be used.
- 4. Orkin's other options are tunnel traps which the mouse enters but cannot get out of and death is by starvation. These traps would need to be monitored weekly because there is considerable odour involved. Snap traps would need to be checked weekly as well. This would quadruple our costs for their service.
- 5. Currently, we use only indoor baited traps, and if activity is noticed around a building like the service area, snap traps are put out. All buildings have been inspected, and efforts to seal any entry points have been taken, but with buildings like Haney house at over 100 years old, it is almost impossible to find every tiny crack and crevice. Nevertheless, our proactive approach has kept the rodent issue under control to date.

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Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4P7

Our main concern is the priceless artifacts and significant heritage structures we are tasked with preserving and protecting. For example, on display in the Haney House are items like a quilt from the War of 1812 with a very interesting story attached. There are gowns made to be worn at the coronation of the king following the death of Queen Victoria, the Silver Creek quilt from WW1, a hand died bed spread which is over 100 years old. It would be a shame to have to remove items like these from the house and store them in the museum. The public would not be able to see them or get to know the stories behind them. In the Lester Thompson Garage, we have three cars including a McLaughlin donated to the Village which was originally purchase in Salmon Arm in 1918. We have a responsibility to our donors to maintain the items we are entrusted with, and our mandate is to preserve our history and educate visitors by displaying these precious items to tell the story of Salmon Arm. We are a unique institution and a blanket ban does not necessarily take in to account the needs of a specific facility.

No one at Haney wants to put wildlife at risk and we believe we are using a system with low risk and best practices to control rodents which can destroy buildings and artifacts. Our onsite caretaker had two cats on the property for many years and both died of old age. We currently have a cat that lives in the service area, patrols the village, and is in good health.

We ask that you consider our request for a waiver to the ban. The ban does not take in to account that there are still people and businesses in the community using rodenticide on private property, out doors, and improperly.

Yours truly Salmon Arm Museum & Heritage Association

Norma Harisch, Presi

Real History - Hands-On Activities



Rotary Club of Salmon Arm – Daybreak Club

PO Box 541 Salmon Arm BC, V1E 4N7

May 13, 2021

Attention: Mayor and Council

RE: Daybreak Rotary Legacy Project and Canoe Beach

The Rotary Club of Salmon Arm - Daybreak (Daybreak Rotary) has been searching for a legacy project to help enhance our community for a few years. Over the past 14 years we have been involved in several partnerships with the city including the spray parks at Fletcher Park and Blackburn Park along with other small improvements on city property. With that behind us, we found ourselves struggling to find a project that would be meaningful to the community, to our members and to the city.

Recently, we met with city staff and the idea of participating in the Canoe Beach redevelopment project was discussed. We reviewed the plan and feel we found the perfect piece of the plan to focus our fundraising on. The piece we are interested in is the swimmer's dock in the main swimming area of the beach. Currently the boat launch dock is used by both boaters and swimmers which we see as a safety concern. Boats are coming and going as kids are swimming and jumping off the pier.

The redevelopment plan had a swimmer's pier in the middle of the main swimming area that would move the swimmers away from the boat launch area making it safer for everyone. The swimmer's pier would be better designed to include ladders, and other features making it accessible to young and old.

The Daybreak Rotary Club is looking for support from mayor and council to work with city staff to develop and install a "Rotary Swimmer's Dock" in the main swimming area of Canoe Beach (as noted in the plan city staff have shared with us). The project will be done in a phased approach and could be started as soon as funds for the dock are in place (hopefully Phase 1 will be completed by Spring of 2022). Daybreak Rotary would fund the Swimmer's Dock and the city would incorporate the old boat launch dock as a future expansion once the new boat launch structure is in place.

On behalf of the Daybreak Rotary Club, we would like to thank you for considering our proposal.

Sincerely

Chris Davis President – Daybreak Rotary

Dan Morin Community Service Chair



June 16, 2021

Re: Free Fare Transit for Children 12 and Under Program

To: Local Government Partners

In Budget 2021, the Province committed to making transit more affordable for families throughout the province by offering free fares for children up to and including the age of 12. On Budget Day, the Finance Minister made this promise a reality with confirmation that the program will launch in September 2021.

The Province, BC Transit and our Local Government Partners all share an interest in building a culture of transit ridership and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Providing free transit to children age 12 and under is expected to advance progress towards these objectives. The other key benefits hoped to be realized by the Province, BC Transit and our partners from this program include:

- Increased ridership amongst this age demographic
- · The opportunity to create riders for life and impact our ridership lifecycle positively
- Positive transit brand impact given the program decreases financial barriers to access
- Incentivize families to use transit together to build-back ridership following COVID-19

The Province will provide funding to BC Transit, for the benefit of participating Local Government Partners, to replace revenue that would otherwise be collected from children 12 and under through the fare box or from pre-paid fare products. BC Transit is currently in the process of finalizing a contribution agreement with the Province for this funding.

BC Transit has agreed to work with Local Government Partners to amend Annual Operating Agreements including fare structures, by September 1, 2021. These changes will include:

- 1. Adjusting the tariff schedule to ensure fares for children age 12 and under are set to zero;
- 2. Providing foregone fare revenue compensation to Local Government Partners

Once we have finalized our contribution agreement with the Province, Local Government Partners will be provided with an official letter to confirm the amount of funding available. Approval of the letters is requested by September 1, 2021 to ensure the program can begin and funding can be allocated to Local Government Partners.

To facilitate an accelerated program rollout, implementation has been divided into two phases. Phase 1 will involve enabling children to ride the bus without a fare product or presentation of identification. Phase 2 will introduce a fare product along with a registration system. The Phase 2 timeline is still being finalized and will be communicated at a later date.

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BC Transit remains responsible for ensuring that transit services are delivered safely, and as part of this program unaccompanied children are also being given full consideration in the design of this program. More information and direction will be provided in the near future.

There will be ongoing communication with our Local Government Partners as Phase 1 of this project continues to roll out and it is expected that program development work will continue throughout 2021 and 2022 for future phases of the program. We would encourage you to discuss any questions or concerns you may have directly with your BC Transit Manager of Government Relations.

Sincerely,

Chris Fudge

Director of Government Relations

From: Carly Johansson <<u>cJohansson@communityenergy.bc.ca</u>> Sent: Wednesday, June 9, 2021 4:24 PM To: Carly Johansson <<u>cJohansson@communityenergy.bc.ca</u>> Subject: CEA AGM Recording and Minutes

Hello CEA Members,

The meeting minutes for the AGM and Q2 meeting last month are attached. You can also view the meeting recording if you missed it.

Other quick links:

- CEA's 2020 Annual Report: The Decade of Climate Action
- CARIP Use and Impact Assessment Report

A quick note about the 2021 Climate & Energy Action Awards:

Community Energy Association is now accepting nominations for the 2021 Climate & Energy Action Awards! Nominate your community today to showcase your local government's commitment to creating low carbon, resilient communities. All applicants will receive recognition in a promotional video celebrating the <u>Awards Nominees</u>. The deadline to apply is Monday, July 12th at 5:00 pm. Learn more at <u>https://www.communityenergy.ca/awards/</u>







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Thanks for your support and have a great week! Regards,



Carly

Carly Johansson, Community Energy Coordinator Office: 604-628-7076 ext. 713 | Mobile: 604-838-2140 Connecting Communities, Energy & Sustainability



From: Minister, ENV ENV:EX <<u>ENV.Minister@gov.bc.ca</u>> Sent: June 9, 2021 3:35 PM To: Alan Harrison <<u>aharrison@salmonarm.ca</u>> Subject: RE: Ban the Use of Anticoagulant Rodenticides

Reference: 378131i

June 9, 2021

His Worship Mayor Alan Harrison and Councillors City of Salmon Arm Email: <u>aharrison@salmonarm.ca</u>

Dear Mayor Harrison and Council:

Thank you for your letter of March 15, 2021, regarding the use of anticoagulant rodenticides and requesting a ban on their use in British Columbia. I share your concerns regarding the protection of wildlife in our province and I appreciate your request for action on this important topic.

I am aware that anticoagulant rodenticides pose unintended risks to wildlife in B.C. through primary and secondary poisoning, and am extremely concerned by reports in 2020 regarding owl deaths as a result of their use. My ministry maintains a commitment to protect wildlife from adverse impacts resulting from pesticide use. Ministry staff are taking action to address risks associated with the use of these products, including increasing compliance verification of current Integrated Pest Management Regulation requirements; raising awareness with rodenticide users on the impacts of misusing rodenticides; coordinating with provincial wildlife experts and Canadian Wildlife Service staff; and developing education materials for the public and pest control operators to better manage rodents within an integrated pest management system.

I have asked ministry staff to develop additional options to improve how rodenticides are regulated in B.C., including consideration of bans, and I will write back to you with details on our next steps once they have been determined.

Thank you again for taking the time to write and participating in our efforts to protect wildlife.

Sincerely,

George Heyman Minister



City of Pitt Meadows

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

June 14, 2021

File: 01-0400-60/21

Honourable Marc Dalton Member of Parliament Sent via email: <u>marc.dalton@parl.gc.ca</u>

Honourable Lisa Beare Member of the Legislative Assembly Sent via email: <u>lisa.beare.MLA@leg.bc.ca</u>

Dear MP Dalton and MLA Beare:

Re: Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Call to Action 75

We write this letter regarding the recent announcement from the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc First Nation and the results of a survey at the former Residential school in Kamloops B.C., which uncovered the remains of 215 Indigenous children. These findings confirm and support the stories and histories as told by many residential school survivors.

The findings in Kamloops support the suggestion that there will likely be further tragic discoveries at other residential schools.

We share in the grief of all First Nation people as we collectively honour and mourn the loss of these 215 children.

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We believe it is imperative that immediate action be taken to address Action 75 of the Commission's Calls to Action, which states:

75. We call upon the federal government to work with provincial, territorial, and municipal governments, churches, Aboriginal communities, former residential school students, and current landowners to develop and implement strategies and procedures for the ongoing identification, documentation, maintenance, commemoration, and protection of residential school cemeteries or other sites at which residential school children were buried. This is to include the provision of appropriate memorial ceremonies and commemorative markers to honour the deceased children.

In order for reconciliation to take place, the truth must be recognized and acknowledged. We feel that by identifying, honouring, and remembering these Indigenous children, it is an important step towards healing.

Along with our collective outrage, we fully support and call for further action to find, and hold accountable, those who were involved in this unspeakable tragedy.

Yours Truly,

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Mayor Bill Dingwall BGS, LL.B., CPHR

cc: Pitt Meadows City Council UBCM

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File No. 5500-05

BC Hydro PO Box 8910 Vancouver, BC V6B 4X3

Dear BC Hydro

Re: Residential Rate Review

Please be advised that at the Monday, June 7, 2021 Township of Spallumcheen Committee of the Whole Meeting, the following resolution was passed:

"...THAT the Township of Spallumcheen Council direct staff to write a letter to BC Hydro and the Union of British Columbia Municipalities requesting that the consultation period for the Residential Rate Review be extended by reopening the survey to allow more residents an opportunity to submit comments due to the changes in the E-plus incentive that has been a program that has supported Township residents who have dual heat sources and no opportunity to natural gas as an additional heat source due to the rural nature of the Township."

Please consider reopening the survey to allow an extended period for consultation. Township residents, as well as residents of other similar rural municipalities, need an opportunity to participate in the Residential Rate Review. Many areas of Spallumcheen are unable to access natural gas services meaning the impacts of a rate change could negatively impact our residents and make heat unaffordable.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions in this regard, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully,

Cindy Graves Corporate Officer

cc. UBCM Member Municipalities

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