INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE - SEPTEMBER 27, 2021

1.	Building Department – Building Statistics – August 2021	Ν
2.	Building Department - Building Permits - Yearly Statistics	Ν
3.	K. Jensen – email dated August 23, 2021 – Shuswap Community Foundation Signature	А
	Event	
4.	W. Wooster – email dated August 26, 2021 – Please!! A cat bylaw	А
5.	K. Vanderkwaak – email dated August 31, 2021 – Vaccine Passports	
6.	K. Mitchell – letter dated September 2, 2021 – 20 Avenue SE Safety Improvement	А
7.	A. Priefer - email dated September 13, 2021 - Intersection 20 St and Okanagan Ave	Α
8.	N. Schiman – email dated September 20, 2021 – Cedar Two Seat Bench	Ν
9.	C. Berry – letter received September 2021 – Bat Boxes	Α
10.	D. St-Pierre, Poppy Chairman, The Royal Canadian Legion Salmon Arm #62 - letter	Α
	dated August 27, 2021 – Annual Poppy Campaign and Remembrance Day Ceremonies	
11.	M. LaRiviere, Naturalist and J. Aiken, President, SABNES - letter dated August 28,	Α
	2021 - Request for Approval to Mount Plaques	
12.	A. Nuttall, Early Years Family Navigator, Shuswap Children's Association - letter	Α
	dated September 9, 2021 - StoryWalk for October 27, 2021	
13.	M. Brock, District Commissioner, Wa'ya Spirit District, Girl Guides - letter dated	Α
	September 17, 2021 – Blackburn Park Gazebo/Shelter Request	
14.	J. McEwan, Salmon Arm Fair GM - letter dated September 13, 2021 - Salmon Arm	Α
	Winter Fund Fest and Parade	
15.	S/Sgt. S. West, Salmon Arm, RCMP - letter dated September 14, 2021 - Online Crime	Ν
	Reporting	
16.	M. Dean, Minister of Children and Family Development – email dated September 10,	Ν
	2021 – October declared as Foster Family Month in British Columbia	
17.	K. Chen, Minister of State for Child Care - email dated September 13, 2021 - British	Ν
	Columbia Child Care New Space Fund Program	
18.	A. Hory, Chair and Area B Director, S. Daniels, Area A Director, J. Furney, Area C	Α
	Director and R. Sherrell, Area D Director, Regional District of Mount Waddington -	
	letter dated August 27, 2021 – Rebuild Lytton	
19.	K. Kenney, Corporate Officer, City of Langley – email dated September 20, 2021 –	Ν
	Appointment of Directors to Regional District Board	
20.	K. Christian, Mayor, City of Kamloops - letter dated September 16, 2021 - Thank you	Ν
21.	Ambulance Paramedics of British Columbia - CUPE 873 - letter dated September 3,	Ν
	2021 - Emergency Paramedics and Dispatchers: Who we are and what we do!	

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CITY OF SALMON ARM BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT AUGUST 2021

LAST YEAR (2020) CURRENT MONTH YEAR-TO-DATE

CURRENT YEAR (2021) CURRENT MONTH YEAR-TO-DATE

	1	NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE
1	New Single Family Dwellings	4	1,523,000	32	11,663,785	5	1,586,800	41	15,231,800
2	Misc. Additions etc. to SFD's	6	841,585	67	3,843,194	7	221,962	66	3,447,872
3	New Single Family Dwellings with suites	2	1,050,000	7	2,830,000	1	600,000	11	5,055,000
4	New Secondary/Detached Suites	1	30,000	11	426,200	4	1,055,000	14	2,255,000
5	New Modulars/MH's (Factory Built)	1	205,000	14	2,676,633	1	125,000	9	1,451,149
6	Misc. Additions etc. to Modulars/MH's	1	4,200	11	335,815	-	-	6	90,192
7	MFD's (# Units)	-	-	2 (41)	6,750,000	-	-	5 (14)	2,950,000
8	Misc. Additions etc. to MFD's	-	-	• 7	101,309	3	141,000	6	394,382
9	New Commercial	1	2,000,000	2	2,120,960	-	-	-	-
10	Misc. Additions etc. to Commercial	-	-	7	277,000	2	200,000	14	1,070,600
11	New Industrial	-	-	1	100,000	-	-	5	2,525,000
12	Misc. Additions etc. to Industrial	-	-	4	1,023,200	-	-	-	-
13	New Institutional	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14	Misc. Additions etc. to Institutional	-	-	1	5,000	-	-	3	2,410,000
15	Signs	2	8,484	11	36,864	4	37,000	31	203,806
16	Swimming Pools, Pool Buildings	2	97,000	5	327,000	-	-	4	410,000
17	Demolitions	1	-	10	-	-	-	13	-
18	Temporary Trailers, A & B Permits	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
19	Misc. Special Inspections, etc.	-	-	12	-	1	-	17	-
	TOTAL PERMITS ISSUED	21	5,759,269	204	32,516,960	28	3,966,762	246	37,494,801

MFD's - Apartment, Row, Duplex, Strata (# of dwelling units created) Farm building values not included

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	BUILDING PERMITS - YEARLY											
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
2001	585,500	11,938,550	12,265,250	12,842,790	13,534,790	14,712,550	16,330,650	17,717,625	19,031,075	19,895,255	21,318,855	21,458,195
2002	585,500	1,952,500	3,340,850	3,821,240	5,455,840	6,411,690	8,844,690	10,932,510	15,780,890	16,705,600	17,738,200	17,923,700
2003	130,110	920,780	2,974,020	4,486,120	5,993,320	13,294,120	15,555,250	17,937,005	20,318,920	22,000,340	24,005,740	24,782,360
2004	430,700	1,506,500	5,903,780	8,379,104	10,122,768	12,086,319	14,779,343	21,598,763	30,371,023	33,614,173	34,957,458	35,881,343
2005	1,072,000	2,269,650	4,344,750	6,806,152	12,110,482	28,031,457	29,985,585	34,743,645	37,600,445	42,915,856	45,525,611	47,576,746
2006	815,550	3,224,468	8,012,449	11,501,929	16,084,809	20,066,533	23,714,194	26,370,890	36,479,806	37,278,358	42,332,995	43,077,170
2007	1,531,087	3,901,669	16,148,674	22,413,118	27,232,134	32,401,472	35,657,297	42,829,750	51,945,799	55,703,387	65,885,802	66,289,555
2008	1,797,604	4,203,429	12,947,058	27,647,379	33,857,533	36,582,025	39,759,375	42,395,454	45,412,474	50,699,301	53,383,541	53,522,880
2009	409,369	864,839	2,039,460	5,207,311	6,763,615	7,800,085	9,677,455	11,579,746	18,882,737	20,713,554	23,523,664	24,337,664
2010	1,518,563	2,708,062	5,931,546	10,081,816	12,260,236	13,526,546	16,597,121	18,790,511	19,848,804	21,174,632	22,953,692	27,249,702
2011	568,645	2,003,976	5,063,837	7,449,773	9,471,416	11,761,850	12,794,028	14,222,970	18,194,801	19,682,061	30,563,013	31,934,415
2012	2,189,660	3,128,562	4,794,040	6,337,260	10,000,544	12,120,246	17,883,185	24,375,078	26,118,787	26,493,820	28,130,500	28,666,430
2013	881,740	1,440,110	13,907,060	15,814,195	17,433,454	20,194,778	23,204,628	24,180,485	26,567,302	29,195,224	30,890,086	31,231,349
2014	665,304	2,806,404	8,075,941	20,789,869	27,574,834	29,877,686	33,456,523	41,971,923	42,784,769	44,804,191	46,460,471	47,707,993
2015	1,172,285	1,853,539	3,894,754	6,750,389	8,575,425	18,388,180	20,475,407	26,442,225	29,143,303	31,248,595	35,417,465	37,368,595
2016	1,268,865	2,298,280	4,987,625	8,904,610	12,253,660	16,279,464	19,265,124	23,811,029	29,823,014	36,084,949	40,154,959	41,418,659
2017	1,183,280	2,841,725	7,219,495	11,761,657	18,136,656	23,823,576	30,793,243	36,066,891	52,130,226	59,858,542	63,366,686	64,675,041
2018	1,970,104	3,943,104	10,028,787	14,363,122	20,252,322	30,488,747	37,540,412	40,421,060	55,689,215	59,634,580	64,988,531	66,797,572
2019	6,060,645	6,835,345	10,699,845	18,074,843	22,220,523	26,015,593	31,103,281	45,971,877	48,902,359	52,267,409	56,765,409	58,511,534
2020	2,218,950	4,293,250	6,900,060	9,289,060	12,891,318	23,340,638	26,757,691	32,516,960	37,062,215	46,505,927	51,472,227	54,065,527
2021	3,180,132	5,500,747	9,538,939	14,603,678	21,402,310	29,030,210	33,528,039	37,494,801				

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From: Kris Jensen Sent: Monday, August 23, 2021 8:11 PM To: Caylee Simmons Subject: Shuswap Community Foundation Signature event

Caylee

On February 23 the board of the Shuswap Community Foundation approved the appointment of a committee for the purpose of having a Signature Event. I am the chair of that committee. This would be the first time such an event was held.

This event will highlight the connection between the Foundation and our community. As many recipients as well as donors as possible will be invited. The vision is for an outdoor "summer fest" experience. A family event. All of our recipients will be asked to participate with an information display, or interactive booth. We anticipate food service, live music/entertainment showcasing the varied talents of local artists, children's play and activity area and other similar attractions. Probably banners and tents and accordingly we request permission for the use of staking into the ground to secure tents. Admission will be by donation. We require the use of the south end of the Marine Park including the gazebo and washrooms. We are looking at June 4 2022 as the possible date. We anticipate up to 1000 attendees.

We are also asking for permission to place a banner across a strategic street. Would the city be prepared to hang the banner and assist with finding a suitable location? The cost of the banner will be paid by us and we would like to hang the banner for about 2 weeks prior to the event.

If anything further is required you can reach me by email or phone

Thanks for your consideration. Kris Jensen

Sent: Thursday, August 26, 2021 2:29 PM Subject: Online Form Submittal: Mayor and Council

First Name	Will
Last Name	Wooster
Address:	
Return email address:	
Subject:	PLEASE!!! A cat bylaw
Body	When I first moved into this neighborhood 12 years ago my yard and feeders were full of wild birds. Now they are few and far between. The same is not true in other parts town my sons live in. Their yards are always full of birds. The problem is cats When we first moved into this house there were none. Now there are several around us and I have repeatedly seen them with birds in their mouths. Yesterday was the last straw. One attacked the family of quail that have been in my yard the last couple of weeks. Now the quail have disappeared. Enough is enough! Will Salmon Arm council muster the courage to finally pass a cat control bylaw like Calgary or Victoria and live up to it's responsible to protect Salmon Arm's wildlife and natural environment or will you just continue to ignore the problem and sweep it under the carpet. Does council care about the natural environment of the city of just pay lip service to it
Would you like a response:	Yes

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Sent: Tuesday, August 31, 2021 10:19 AM Subject: Online Form Submittal: Mayor and Council

Mayor and Council

First Name	Karin
Last Name	Vanderkwaak
Address:	
Return email address:	
Subject:	Vaccine Passports
Body	Hello there,
	I just wanted to write to you with my concern about the vaccine passports being implemented by the BC government. I just saw your video up on facebook encouraging everyone to get their vaccine and while you totally have the right to do this, I would've loved, rather, to see you standing up for freedom of choice on top of this. What Dr. Bonnie Henry and Premier Horgan are doing is illegal, tyrannical, and completely inappropriate as our province's leaders. It will put another layer of immense pressure on businesses who have already had to completely adapt how they do business in the last year and a half. There are many people against this and small businesses will suffer. Is this what you want for the lovely city of Salmon Arm? This is discriminatory and will segregate society. This is a coercive tactic and has nothing to do with safety. We've all been fine and willing to wear masks and distance and would have had no question of our safety if the BC government didn't decide to enforce this. They are making small businesses do their dirty work and enough is enough. It is absolutely disgusting and if you support this and do not stick

Thank you for your time,

Salmon Arm home.

up for your very concerned citizens, I am ashamed to call

Karin

Would you like a response: Yes

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September 2, 2021

Attn: Robert Niewenhuizen, Director of Engineering and Public Works, City of Salmon Arm

CC: Andrea Kathrein, Manager of Transportation, SD83

Good day,

I am writing to request that a paved shoulder for pedestrians and cyclists be added to the stretch of 20AVE SE that runs between 20ST SE and 40ST SE, and that a crosswalk be added to this same stretch of road to safely cross 30ST SE.

I live on 40ST SE and my children go to Hillcrest Elementary. Our home is 2.9km away from the school so we are not eligible for bussing. This stretch of road has no shoulder and limited visibility and is not safe for kids between the ages of 5 and 10 to travel to school.

Additionally, this stretch of road is used by a significant number of pedestrians and cyclists. I have been told by some that run this stretch that the loop from 20AVE SE to 40ST SE to Auto Rd is a flat option for those that live in the Hillcrest area. The cemetery trails also draw foot traffic to 20AVE SE.

Between Mayfair farms and the Landfill, there are 4 blind hills and 1 blind corner. It is not safe for drivers nor pedestrians when they encounter each other at or approaching these areas. Speed on this straight stretch of road poses further safety concerns.

Please consider improving the safety of 20AVE SE for pedestrians, cyclists, and drivers. I look forward to hearing from you.

With Regards,

Kathleen Mitchell





From: Amanda Priefer Sent: September 13, 2021 8:57 AM To: Alan Harrison Subject: Intersection 20ST and okanagan ave

Dear mr Harrison

I'm writing you today to plead the city of salmon arm put a 4 way stop at the intersection of 20st and okanagan ave. The intersection is very busy with cars and pedestrians alike. Okanagan ave often turns into a second highway with drivers going as much as 100km/hr or more through that intersection. I have lived near the intersection for the past 2.5 years. In the time I have lived here I have witnessed 6 accidents in that intersection. The latest one being this morning when a bicyclist was struck by a car. What is it going to take to get a 4 way stop at this intersection? Hundreds of Children walk Through this intersection on the way to and from school, it's unsafe and needs to be addressed. I'd appreciate it if this one says could be brought up at the next council meeting and addressed promptly before someone else gets seriously injured. Thank you

Amanda priefer

From: Norm Schiman Sent: Monday, September 20, 2021 3:11 PM To: Darin Gerow Subject: Cedar Two Seat Bench

Good day Mayor and Council

Thank you for considering my request to build a Cedar Bench four feet in length for placement near the Cress Creek Trail near the creek and bridge. It is estimated the Cedar will last twenty years. I am retired (75 years of age) and enjoy doing wood projects. I have recently completed refinishing our patio table and chairs, designing and assisting in building a Corn Toss Game and miniature flower boxes for the Outreach Group of Interior Health (I.H.) to which I belong. We previously met at The Drop-in Center near the Museum. Because of COVID-19 we now meet twice weekly by telephone playing games and chatting led by three enthusiastic I.H. workers.

I have in the past volunteered for The Salmon Arm Roots and Blues, NOSBIS as a receptionist , March of Dimes Canada (MODC) fundraiser at McGuire Lake and am presently applying for the same receptionist position with MODC. I have been in Salmon Arm five years and was raised in the Vernon area. I there enjoyed making a Soap Box Car in my grandfathers workshop . Then racing it with a sponsor around B.C. I later had my own small woodwork shop in Vernon where I was employed with S.D. 22 as an Electrician for thirty years. September 11th. I completed a compulsory five hour 101 equipment and safety session at Maker Space which has a complete woodwork shop. Three of us made cutting boards and another day I made a Towel Rack mounting board. There is a charge for the use of the facility which I will deal with. They have the shop supervised with someone who also helps the participants if needed. Once I hear whether or not I can install the Cedar Bench ,I will use a design and assembly instructions on The Web site after setting a budget and cutting out the 2x10 and 2x4 material , I will assemble it at my place assisted by my 13 year old grandson. Should you have any comments or suggestions please contact me. I am sure this Project will benefit the Community ! Sincerely, Norm .



To the city council of Salmon Arm

My name is Charline Berry. I live at Hudson St. NW. I moved here in April 2021. This Summer we had Bats sleeping on our Patio's of the 6 plex.

We were wondering if it's possible to get some bat boxes put up in the park just behind our 6 plex.

We would be willing to pay for or provide the bat boxes, this would be much better for the bats and healthier for us.

Thank you for taking the time to consider this matter.

Charlene Bern

Salmon Arm



The Royal Canadian Legion Salmon Arm #62 141 Hudson St. NW Salmon Arm, BC V1E 1W3 250-832-3687 Phone / Fax Email: legion62sa@gmail.com Web: www.legion62.ca

August 27, 2021

City of Salmon Arm, Box 40, Salmon Arm, B.C. V1E 4N2

Dear Council Members,

The Royal Canadian Legion #62 requests permission to conduct our <u>Annual Poppy Campaign</u> and public canvassing for funds October 29, 2021 to November 10, 2021.

We also request permission to hold <u>Annual Remembrance Day Ceremonies</u> on November 11th, at the Cenotaph, with a Parade of Veterans along the usual route from the Legion premises, via Lakeshore Dr. and Alexander St. crossing the Trans-Canada Highway to the Cenotaph and return. (Attached route map)

If the COVID-19 situation changes, we will modify the <u>Remembrance Day Ceremony</u> at the Cenotaph as per current Public Health requirements.

We will be working towards providing coverage of the Cenotaph Ceremony via a local radio station for the citizens of Salmon Arm that are unable to make it to the Cenotaph Ceremony.

Would you please forward a copy of this letter to the Public Works Foremen so that the borrowing of barricades and "No Parking" signs can be arranged for the day of Ceremonies.

A letter of liability insurance with City of Salmon Arm will be forwarded by our insurance agent.

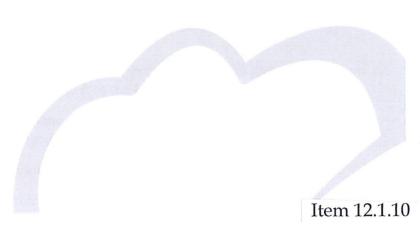
Our Parade will form up at the Legion at approximately 10:30 a.m. Following the return of the Parade, we invite you to join us for an afternoon of entertainment and comradeship at the lounge.

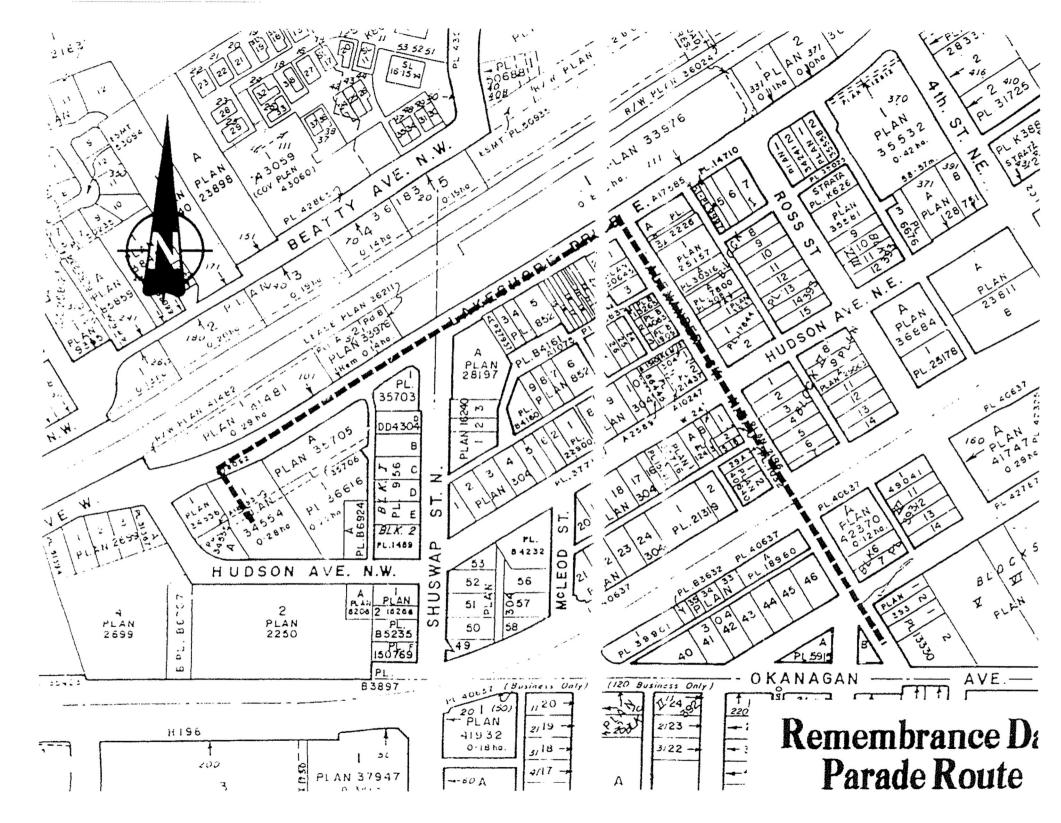
We look forward to your Approval, Confirmation & Participation.

Fraternally,

Dan St-Pierre Poppy Chairman 250-515-0362 legion62sa@gmail.com

cc: Fire Department RCMP Detachment Ministry of Transportation Ambulance Services





August 28, 2021

Dear Mr. Niewenhuizen,

I am a local horticulturist and graphic designer, and have been working for the Salmon Arm Bay Nature Enhancement Society (SABNES) since the end of May 2021. For the past couple of months, I have been working on a tree identification project - I have identified 20 trees in Marine Peace Park, and designed informative plaques for each of the 20 tree species. I have attached the PDF artwork of the 20 plaques for your review.

I would like to request approval from City Council to mount these plaques in the park. Each plaque would be 7 inches wide by 5 inches high, and would be mounted on a stake and pushed into the ground directly into the ground at the base of each tree.

The purpose of this project is to acknowledge the abundance of different tree species in the park, much like what one finds at a botanical garden. Often people are curious about what type of tree they are looking at or sitting under, and these plaques will inform them by providing the scientific and common names, plant family, as well as an interesting fact.

While obtaining my horticulture degree, I took many plant ID courses, and something I realized through this experience is that while learning the names of plants, I was developing a deeper interest in ecology and a greater appreciation for all of the amazing ecosystem services trees provide. I noticed the trees and plants around me, took pleasure in knowing their names and "personalities", and was less likely to take them for granted. I think these plaques would help the public to develop this appreciation as well.

Please let me know if there is anything else you may need as you consider this project.

Sincerely,

Melissa LaRiviere Naturalist w/ SABNES

Janet Aiken, President of SABNES

WESTERN LARCH Larix occidentalis Family: Pinaceae

SALMON ARM BAY NATURE ENHANCEMENT SOCIETY

The Western Larch is native to B.C. and is one of the few deciduous conifers in the world. This means that in autumn, it's leaves turn a beautiful golden yellow and fall off.



Pin oak acorns are eaten by many songbirds, wild turkeys, white-tailed deer, squirrels and smaller rodents, but are a particularly important food for many ducks.

TATARIAN MAPLE Acer tataricum Family: Sapindaceae



This maple features abundant showy red samaras (winged seeds) in late summer and is considered to be drought-tolerant, making it an ideal choice for xeriscaping.

RED MAPLE Acer rubrum Family: Sapindaceae

PIN OAK

Quercus palustris

Family: Fagaceae



The Red Maple is native to B.C. and is a popular landscaping tree for its brilliant fall foliage, smoky red male flowers in spring, and red samaras on female trees.

LONDON PLANE Platanus x acerifolia Family: Platanaceae



This tree is thought to be a hybrid between the Oriental and North American Sycamore. It is a popular urban tree as it has a long lifespan and tolerates pollution and poor growing conditions.

MANITOBA MAPLE Acer negundo Family: Sapindaceae



The Manitoba Maple is the only maple native to Canada with compound leaves (leaves whose leaflets are attached to the middle vein but have their own stalks).

SITKA SPRUCE Picea sitchensis Family: Pinaceae



This B.C. native typically reach 55 to 70 metres, with some reaching over 75 metres tall. Most of the giants in B.C. are found on Vancouver Island. The oldest are over 1300 years old. SWEDISH WHITEBEAM Sorbus intermedia Family: Roseaceae



Native to Europe and able to withstand harsh climatic conditions, this tree is a triple hybrid, the result of crossbreeding between 3 species: mountain-ash, whitebeam, and wild service-tree.

AUSTRIAN PINE Pinus nigra Family: Pinaceae



The stems of this pine have been widely used in the past for naval construction. As a result of its ecological flexibility, it is one of the most widely used tree species for reforestation worldwide.



Native to eastern Canada, the Northern Red Oak is Prince Edward Island's provincial tree. It is one of the most important oaks for timber production in North America.

NORWAY MAPLE Acer platanoides Family: Sapindaceae



This European native is very popular and widespread in North America, but unfortunately can easily out-compete our native trees. Alternatives include Red Maple and Sugar Maple.

WEEPING WILLOW Salix babylonica Family: Salicaceae

NORTHERN RED OAK

Quercus rubra

Family: Fagaceae



Native to China, this recognizable tree loves to grow near water. Willows are fast-growing, taking about 3 years to become established, then often growing 2.5 metres per year!

COMMON BEECH Fagus sylvatica Family: Fagaceae

BLUE SPRUCE Picea pungens Family: Sapindaceae



This popular ornamental shade tree is native to the woodlands of central and southern Europe. Many cultivars are available in a variety of different forms, leaf shapes and leaf colors.



Thanks to its cold hardiness and glaucous blue foliage, this is among the most widely planted ornamental spruces, and also prized as a Christmas tree. *Pungens* means sharp pointed.

WESTERN REDCEDAR Thuja plicata Family: Cupressaceae



This native tree was a mainstay of indigenous life and culture on B.C.'s west coast. The "tree of life" provided clothing, shelter, transportation and a medium for art and craft work.

GINKGO Ginkgo biloba Family: Ginkgoaceae



This tree is native to China, and is known as a living fossil. Dating back 200 million years, the Ginkgo is the only living tree species that shared the landscape with dinosaurs!

SWEDISH WHITEBEAM Sorbus intermedia Family: Rosaceae



The Swedish Whitebeam is a triple hybrid, meaning it is the result of cross-breeding between three species: Common Mountain-ash, Whitebeam, and Wild Service-tree.



Native to B.C., this tree is common in the lower half of the province, and always at low elevations. This willow can be found in habitats such as lakeshores, swamps, and floodplains.

COMMON HAWTHORN Crataegus monogyna Family: Rosaceae



Crataegus are deciduous trees and shrubs, often with spiny branches, lobed or toothed leaves, and clusters of white flowers followed by red or black berries, which are eaten by squirrels and birds. CANADIAN POPLAR Populus x canadensis Family: Salicaceae

PACIFIC WILLOW

Salix lucida

Family: Salicaceae



The genus Populus contains all of the cottonwoods, aspens, and balsam poplars. Populus refers to the fact that the trees were often planted around public meeting places in Roman times.



September 9th, 2021 Mayor and Council City of Salmon Arm 500 2 Ave NE Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4N2

Dear Mayor Harrison and City Councillors,

RE: StoryWalk[®] for October 27th, 2021

We would like to organize a StoryWalk[®] in partnership with the Okanagan Regional Library. The activity would take place on **October 27th, 2021 at Blackburn Park.**

To prevent creating a crowd and to ensure social distancing, each mounted page will be at least 16ft apart (one family allowed at each "page"). The StoryWalk[®] will be available from **10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.** so families will have enough time to come and enjoy the story. The activity will be monitored by a staff member during the entire time to ensure Covid-19 protocols are respected.

I am writing this request for the City's permission to organize this StoryWalk[®], so we can keep bringing joy to children and their parents/caregivers.

Thank you so much for your consideration

Sincerely,

Amy Nuttall Early Years Family Navigator Shuswap Children's Association

Wa'ya Spirit District



c/o Maryann Brock 2190 22nd Street NE Salmon Arm, BC V1E 3E5

September 17, 2021

To: Salmon Arm City Council

Hello everyone,

I am writing again on behalf of Girl Guides in Salmon Arm for both a Spark/Brownie group (5-8 years old) and Pathfinders (12-15) years old.

We are again in the position that we need to be prepared to run our meetings outside this school year. We are hoping we will be permitted to use the gazebo/shelter at Blackburn Park on Tuesdays, from 6 - 8:30 pm, as we did last school year.

Having the use of this space means that, as long as the provincial health rules allow, we will be able to meet in person (socially distanced of course), protected to some extent from the weather. This would mean we could continue our weekly meeting, allowing the girls to continue their program (learning skills, developing a sense of social responsibility, provide community service & maintaining social connections)

As we shared last year, our National organization has very strict protocols in place to ensure that Guiding does not add to any potential infections, while at the same time supporting the mental & physical health of our youth.

Guiding runs in the most part with the school year – we (like most others) have no idea what the future may hold, but we would like to "Be Prepared" (as is our motto). Therefore, we are asking that we be allowed to use the shelter each Tuesday evening, (as long as the health protocols permit). We would not need any notification from the city as we watch the notices "by the day" and would immediately fall in line with the strictest of the PHO directives and Girl Guides of Canada (which is always more strict). We would not ask for washroom facilities as we will provide our own "camp toilet" which would be put up/taken down each week – being sanitized on an ongoing basis!

I can provide another certificate of insurance immediately.

Yours truly,

Maryann Brock District Commissioner



The Salmon Arm and Shuswap Lake Agricultural Association SALMON ARM FAIR

351 - 3rd Street SW, Salmon Arm BC V1E 1V4 Ph. 250-832-0442 www.salmonarmfair.com

September 13, 2021

Robert J. Niewenhuizen Director of Engineering and Public Works City of Salmon Arm Box 40 500-2nd Ave NE Salmon Arm, BC. V1E 4N2

Dear Sir,

Re: Salmon Arm Winter Fun Fest and Parade

As the annual Salmon Arm Fair and Parade, scheduled for September 10 to 12, 2021, was cancelled due to the Covid 19 pandemic and resulting restrictions, the organizing committee is planning to host a Winter Fun Fest and Parade for the residents of Salmon Arm and surrounding areas. This request is subject to all Provincial Medical Officers Covid 19 restrictions.

This parade will have a much shorter route for the Winter Fest Parade and is planned to be held on November 27th at 3pm for approximately 1 hour. The committee agreed route should be close to the fairgrounds minimizing inconvenience to the community.

The form up would be on 5 St between 5th Ave and 10th Ave. The route will take floats north on 5th to the alley (3rd Ave). The parade will then turn right and head east to 5th. There it will turn right and head south until it reaches 5th Ave. From here it will turn right and head west until it reaches the access road to the south fairgrounds beside the Church log building. The parade will then follow the road south on the fair grounds past the large cow barn and turning north to end lining up opposite the vendors.

We plan to have volunteers at 5th St and 5th Ave; 3rd Ave and 5th St; 3rd St and 3rd Ave and 3rd St and 5th Ave.

We ask permission to close the following roadways to non-parade traffic on Saturday afternoon to assist in organizing parade floats. Parade marshaling will begin at 2:00 p.m.:

- A. 5th St SW between Blackburn Park and the fair grounds.5th Ave and 5th St SW
- B. 3rd Ave and 5th St SW intersection.
- C. 3rd Ave and 3rd St SW to 5th Ave SW

- D. The intersection of 5th St SW and 5th Ave SW
- E. We also request permission to have the use of traffic barriers dropped at the designated street corners.
- F. We would also like to borrow traffic signs, hi vis vests, and directional paddles for the volunteers who will be directing traffic at the intersections.
- G. We request that five (5) road barriers be placed at each of the corners of 3rd St SW and 5th Ave SW and the corner of 5th St SW and 5th Ave SW to assist in controlling vehicle traffic.
- H. We are requesting to extend the No Parking zones from last year to include the following:
 - 5th Ave. SW from 3rd ST to 5th St SW
 - 3rd Ave SW from 3rd ST to 5th St SW

If the City staff will drop off the No Parking signs on Friday night, we will arrange to put them up Saturday morning.

I. Insurance policies/certificates of insurance for The Salmon Arm and Shuswap Lake Agricultural Association will be provided to the city.

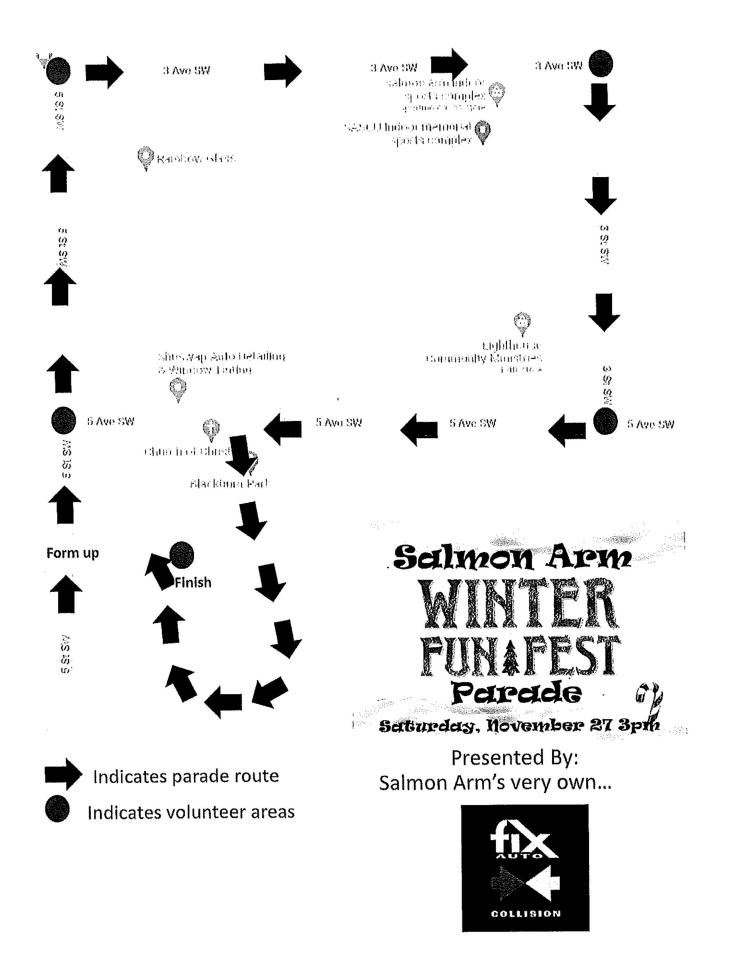
The proposed Parade for Winter Fun Fest is entirely subject to the PHO orders at the time of the Parade

Sincerely Jim McEWan

Salmon Arm Fair GM

Att. Proposed Parade route map





Royal Canadian Mounted Police Gendarmerie Royale du Canada

NCO i/c Salmon Arm Detachment 1980 11th Avenue N.E. Salmon Arm, BC V1E 2V5

To Mayor and Council

Security Classification/Designation

Unclassified

Your File - Votre reference

Our File - Notre référence

Date:

September 14, 2021

RE: Online Crime reporting

Mayor and Council,

I am excited to report that the Salmon arm RCMP Detachment will be adding on line crime reporting as one of the ways that a person can report a crime to the Salmon arm RCMP.

Over the past months it has been available at our detachment web site and we have seen 8 reports which allowed our staff and E Division staff to work out the final wrinkles in our local system.

I am happy to report that the program is ironed out and we will be offering this option to the public. We will be publicising it in the media starting in October.

The caveat is that there is no suspect or witnesses in the crime and there is limited information that would lead us to a suspect. If one is identified, then an investigator will be assigned and the necessary follow up will continue.

The crime types that people can report on line include:

- Damage and Mischief to property under \$5000.
- Damage/Mischief to a vehicle under \$5000.
- Hit and Run to an unoccupied vehicle or property.
- Theft of a bicycle under \$5000.
- Theft under \$5000.
- Theft from a vehicle under \$5000.
- Lost property.
- Stolen BC Licence plates and validation tags BC Only and no trailer plates at this time.



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People can add pictures of the damage as well as uploading all of the information necessary to open a police file. If there are issues with reporting on line a person can always pick up the phone and make a report as well and in some cases they will be directed to do just that.

Our data thus far indicates that it takes approximately 10 to 15 minutes (and maybe a little more time) to complete an on line crime report.

The staff and I feel that this is a positive step in servicing the public and business locally as we move further into the electronic age. All while making efficient use of policing and administrative staff time.

Sincerely,

S/Sgt. Scott West NCO i/c Salmon Arm RCMP Detachment



Caylee Simmons

From: Sent: To: Subject: MCF Info MCF:EX <MCF.Info@gov.bc.ca> Friday, September 10, 2021 11:38 AM Caylee Simmons Letter from the Honourable Mitzi Dean, Minister of Children and Family Development

> VIA E-MAIL Ref: 262443

His Worship Mayor Alan Harrison and Council City of Salmon Arm E-mail: cityhall@salmonarm.ca

Dear Mayor Harrison and Council:

I am pleased to announce that October will once again be declared Foster Family Month in British Columbia. This marks the 31st year of celebrating the caregivers who have stepped up time and time again when they are needed most. As a caregiver, they have accepted a vital role in the lives of the children they care for and an important role in the fabric of the communities where they live.

I wish to express my gratitude for the time, love, and energy that these foster families have given to the young people in British Columbia. Every day, these incredible caregivers work hard to ensure that the young people in their care are provided with a safe and healthy home and are cared for and nurtured in times of personal and global uncertainty. Their dedication to improving the lives of some of our province's most vulnerable children and youth is recognized and honoured as an integral part of the young person's journey.

Please join me in celebrating October as Foster Family Month to show those in your community how important the role of a foster caregiver is. I encourage you to celebrate foster families for the selfless work they do for the children, youth, and families of British Columbia.

On behalf of the Government of British Columbia, thank you for your continued support in recognizing extended family and foster caregivers.

Sincerely,

Mitzi Dean Minister of Children and Family Development

Sent on behalf of the Minister by:



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From: MCF Info MCF:EX <MCF.Info@gov.bc.ca> Sent: Monday, September 13, 2021 10:29 AM Subject: E-mail from the Honourable Katrina Chen, Minister of State for Child Care

VIA E-MAIL Ref: 263194

His Worship Mayor Alan Harrison and Council City of Salmon Arm E-mail: <u>cityhall@salmonarm.ca</u>

Dear Mayor Harrison and Council:

Families throughout British Columbia are looking for access to inclusive, affordable, quality child care. As leaders, I know you are acutely aware of the needs in your community and share our government's concerns and ambitions of providing access to an inclusive universal system of care. Although we have made significant progress over the last three years with nearly 26,000 new licensed child care spaces approved for funding across Childcare BC's space-creation initiatives, too many families still struggle to find the care they need in their local communities. With this in mind, I am emailing today to ensure you have received information about the opening of the <u>Childcare BC New Spaces Fund</u>, our province's largest child care space creation initiative.

In the 2021/22 intake for the New Space Fund program, we are focusing our efforts on expanding quality, inclusive, community-based child care in areas with the greatest need in alignment with provincial priorities and commitments under the <u>Canada Wide Early Learning and Child Care Agreement</u>. This means that only School Districts, Indigenous and local governments, not-for-profit organizations, and Indigenous not-for-profit organizations are eligible to apply for up to \$3 million in grant funding per project.

As an eligible organization, I encourage you to visit <u>Childcare BC</u> to review the New Spaces Fund program guidelines, FAQ, application form, and other resources. Further, I encourage you to seize this opportunity to partner with the Province to help address your community needs and serve families in your community with more affordable, quality child care.

Note that the deadline to apply is November 16th, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. PST.

Please do not hesitate to contact our Capital Funding program staff at <u>MCF.CCCF@gov.bc.ca</u> or 1 888 338-6622 (option 5) for any additional questions you may have.

Thank you for the work you do for families in your community.

Sincerely,

Katrina Chen Minister of State for Child Care

Sent on behalf of the Minister of State by:





Regional District of Mount Waddington PO Box 729 2044 McNeill Road, Port McNeill, BC VON 2RO

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File No. 310.01

August 27, 2021

By e-mail to BC Local Governments

Dear Regional District Chairs and Boards, Mayors and Councils:

The people of the Regional District of Mount Waddington (RDMW) are independent, resilient, and compassionate. Although we may be a little geographically and politically isolated, we are caring, and community oriented. When trouble befalls one of our friends, we show up to help.

The Village of Lytton suffered a catastrophic loss this summer. The RDMW would like to remind the population of Lytton and the Thompson-Nicola Regional District that they do not stand alone in their time of need.

To help Lytton rebuild, the Electoral Area Directors of the RDMW will contribute one dollar for every person in their representative areas. In doing so, the Electoral Area Directors of the RDMW wish to challenge all other local governments to make a similar gesture.

This is a time for solidarity and the rebuilding of community, lives, and dreams. The Regional District of Mount Waddington is honoured to contribute.

Sincere

Andrew Hory Chair and Area B Director

James Furney

Area C Director

Sandra Daniels Area A Director

Rod Sherrell Area D Director



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Caylee Simmons

From: Sent:	Kelly Kenney <kkenney@langleycity.ca> Monday, September 20, 2021 10:11 AM</kkenney@langleycity.ca>
Subject:	Clarification of Intent of Correspondence from City of Langley Re: Resolution -
Attachments:	Appointment of Directors to Regional District Board LetterAppointment_of_Directors_to_Regional_District_Board.pdf

Mayor and Council,

Further to my correspondence of September 15, 2021 (attached), conveying Langley City Council's resolution regarding appointment of Directors to Regional District Board. For clarification, Langley City Council is requesting that *BC municipal councils also consider sending correspondence to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs* to request a broad consultative process be conducted in partnership with the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, *[applicable local government area association]*, and all local governments in BC to solicit feedback with tangible and objective rationale to support the amendment to section 19 of the Local Government Act, *requested by the Metro Vancouver Regional District Board of Directors*, to require municipal councils to appoint the Mayor, or the Mayor's designate, as the municipal director to the regional district board.

Best regards,

KELLY KENNEY CORPORATE OFFICER

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File: 0410.03

September 15, 2021

Honourable Josie Osborne Minister of Municipal Affairs

VIA Email: MAH.Minister@gov.bc.ca

Dear Minister:

Re: Appointment of Directors to Regional District Board

The following resolution was passed by the Metro Vancouver Regional District Board at its July 30, 2021 meeting:

That the MVRD Board request the Ministry of Municipal Affairs to amend the Local Government Act in section 198 [appointment and term of office for municipal directors], as necessary to require municipal councils to appoint the Mayor, or the Mayor's designate, as the municipal director to the regional district board

Metro Vancouver's background report to this motion, entitled "Municipal Director Appointment Process", is attached for reference.

At its September 13, 2021 Regular Council meeting, the Council for the City of Langley passed the following resolution:

WHEREAS the Local Government Act sets out the procedure for the appointment of directors to the regional district board;

WHEREAS section 198 of the Local Government Act states: After the first appointment under section41 (2) (e) [first board for regional district], each municipal director is to be appointed at pleasure by the council from among its members and that the Local Government Act does not stipulate any criteria in making those appointment decisions;

WHEREAS the appointment of directors to the regional district board under the Municipal Act (now Local Government Act) was changed after 2000 to "at the pleasure of Council" and that there have been no criteria constraining municipal council's appointment decision since 1965;

WHEREAS the governance structure of regional districts has been lauded as a model structure that provides for "a regional federation of autonomous partners, representing both municipal and non-municipal territory and allows each Regional District to tailor most of its individual functions, both regionally and sub-regionally, to its own evolving needs. The Regional District legislation was designed to promote inter-municipal cooperation, to provide services to non-municipal urban fringe or rural communities, and to stimulate consensus-based planning and co-ordination across regions;"¹

WHEREAS regional districts are "part of the municipal system not separate from it. The regional district does not sit over the municipalities with the municipal units serving the region. Rather it is the reverse: the regional district exists to further the interests of its municipal members;"²

WHEREAS the current section 198 of the Local Government Act provides ability, accountability, autonomy, and a democratic process for each municipal council to appoint the director to the regional board that best represents the views of majority of council on regional-scale services matters;

WHEREAS the Metro Vancouver Regional District is a federation of 21 municipalities, one Electoral Area and one Treaty First Nation that collaboratively plans for and delivers regionalscale services;

WHEREAS the Metro Vancouver Regional District Board, at its July 30, 2021 meeting, passed a resolution to request the Ministry of Municipal Affairs to amend the Local Government Act in section 198 [appointment and term of office for municipal directors], as necessary to require municipal councils to appoint the Mayor, or the Mayor's designate, as the municipal director to the regional district board;

WHEREAS Metro Vancouver Regional District Board has not outlined the impetus and rationale for the proposed amendment to section 198 of the Local Government Act;

WHEREAS the proposed resolution passed by the Metro Vancouver Regional Board to amend the Local Government Act to require municipal councils to appoint the Mayor, or the Mayor's designate, as the municipal director to the regional district board would affect all regional district boards in BC and that a broad consultation with all local governments in BC is necessary and required to consider this amendment;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Ministry of Municipal Affairs conduct a broad consultative process in partnership with the Union of British Columbia Municipalities, Lower Mainland Local Government Association, and all local governments in BC to solicit feedback with tangible and objective rationale to support the amendment to section 19 of the Local Government Act to require municipal councils to appoint the Mayor, or the Mayor's designate, as the municipal director to the regional district board; and that this motion be forwarded to Honourable Josie Osborne, Minister of Municipal Affairs, and all municipal councils in BC.

Yours truly, CITY OF LANGLEY

Kelly Kenney Corporate Officer

Cc BC Municipalities

Enclosure

Footnotes in Resolution:

1 40 Years: A Regional District Retrospective Summary of Proceedings, Local Government Knowledge Partnership, Ministry of Community & Rural Development, Local Government Management Association of British Columbia, 2009,

https://www.uvic.ca/hsd/publicadmin/assets/docs/LGI/RetrospectiveMar2009/Summary.pdf

2 A Primer on Regional Districts in British Columbia, Ministry of Community Services, 2006, https://www.regionaldistrict.com/media/28095/Primer_on_Regional_Districts_in_BC.pdf



To: MVRD Board of Directors

From: Mayors Committee

Date: July 9, 2021

Meeting Date: July 30, 2021

Subject: Municipal Director Appointment Process

MAYORS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the MVRD Board request the Ministry of Municipal Affairs to amend the *Local Government Act*, in section 198 [appointment and term of office for municipal directors], as necessary to require municipal councils to appoint the Mayor, or the Mayor's designate, as the municipal director to the regional district board.

At its July 9, 2021 meeting, the Mayors Committee considered the attached report titled "Municipal Director Appointment Process", dated June 18, 2021. The committee discussed seeking a statutory amendment to the provisions in the *Local Government* Act to require the appointment of the Mayor or designate as the municipal director on the regional district board. The Committee subsequently adopted the recommendation as presented above in underline style.

This matter is now before the Board for its consideration.

Attachment

"Municipal Director Appointment Process", dated June 18, 2021

46632665



Subject:	Municipal Director Appointment Process	
Date:	June 18, 2021	Meeting Date: July 9, 2021
From:	Chris Plagnol, Corporate Officer	
То:	Mayors Committee	

RECOMMENDATION

That the Mayors Committee receive for information the report dated June 18, 2021, titled "Municipal Director Appointment Process".

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

BC's regional districts are each governed by a board of directors which is composed of municipal directors, Treaty First Nations directors, and electoral area directors representing their local jurisdictions. As set out in the *Local Government Act*, the electoral area director is elected to the board, while the other directors are appointed. The decision to appoint rests with the municipal council or the treaty first nation governing body. The Act does not stipulate any criteria in making those appointment decisions, such as the Mayor should be the default appointment. To do so would require a statutory amendment to the *Local Government Act*.

PURPOSE

To outline the process and procedures related to the appointment of municipal directors to the Metro Vancouver board.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting of May 26, 2021, the Mayors Committee discussed the process by which directors, particularly Mayors or their designates, are appointed to the regional district board, and adopted the following resolution:

That the Mayors Committee direct staff to review the process and procedures for Mayor or their designate and Director appointments and report back.

This report provides for the committee's consideration information on the municipal director appointment process.

REGIONAL DISRICT GOVERNANCE

The 27 regional districts in BC are modeled as a federation composed of municipalities, electoral areas, and Treaty First Nations, each of which has representation on the regional district board. The board is the governing body of the regional district, and is ultimately responsible for the services provided and the actions taken. This board is composed of one or more directors <u>appointed</u> from each member municipal council and each Treaty First Nation governing body, and of one or more directors <u>elected</u> from each electoral area, based on the population of the jurisdiction represented.

Metro Vancouver's Boards

In Metro Vancouver's case, the MVRD board represents 21 municipalities, one Electoral Area and one Treaty First Nation, composed of 40 directors as follows:

- 38 municipal directors
- 1 treaty first nation director
- 1 electoral area director

It is important to note that in addition to the MVRD Board, Metro Vancouver is also governed by 3 other boards. The *GVS&DD Act* provides that the GVS&DD board comprises those persons who are directors for each jurisdiction within the GVS&DD on the MVRD board, together with the electoral area director. The *GVWD Act* contains a similar provision. Finally, the *MVHC Articles of the Company* stipulate that the directors for the MVHC board will mirror those appointed to the MVRD board.

Appointment Process

The *Local Government Acts* sets out the procedure for the appointment of directors. For municipal directors, section 198 of the Act states:

After the first appointment under section 41 (2) (e) [*first board for regional district*], each municipal director is to be appointed at pleasure by the council from among its member.

There is a significant phrase in this section and that is that each municipal director is to be appointed <u>at pleasure by the council</u> from among its members. This means that the decision to appoint (or remove) municipal directors rests entirely with the municipal council (as does the appointment of Alternate Directors, which is not addressed in this report). The Act does not stipulate any criteria in making those appointment decisions, such as the Mayor or Mayor's designate should be the default appointment, followed by councillors.

Since 1965, the *Municipal Act* (now *Local Government Act*) stipulated that municipal directors were appointed annually (after 2000, this provision was changed to "at the pleasure of council"). And since 1965, there have been no criteria constraining municipal council's appointment decision.

Electoral area directors and treaty first nation directors follow different provisions. The electoral area director is directly elected for a four-year term until the next general local election, as set out in section 199 of the Act. The treaty first nation director is appointed by the nation's governing body and does not follow the "at pleasure" provision described above, but rather the term is set in accordance with section 254 of the Act.

If the MVRD Board wishes to make changes to the appointment process presented above, the next step would be to seek legislative change to the *Local Government Act*. In this case, the statutory change would affect all regional district boards in BC. The Ministry would have to consider the effect of this more global change, and may restrict this provision to Metro Vancouver only and/or conclude that the same amendment is appropriate for other regional district boards.

ALTERNATIVES

This is an information report. No alternatives are presented.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Directors appointed to the regional district board are remunerated in accordance with the Remuneration Bylaw. The process to appoint directors to the board does not affect the remuneration budget.

CONCLUSION

The process to appoint directors (municipal directors, treaty first nation directors, and electoral area directors) to regional district boards is prescribed by the *Local Government Act*. While the electoral area directors are directly elected to the boards, the municipal directors and treaty first nation directors are appointed by their municipal council and governing body respectively. The Act does not stipulate that the municipal director appointment must be the Mayor or the Mayor's designate. As such, to introduce any appointment selection criteria for municipal directors would require a statutory amendment. This information is brought forward for the committee's information.

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September 16, 2021

Salmon Arm Fire Department 141 Ross St NE Salmon Arm, BC V1E 2E9

File No. CR-6231

email: bshirley@salmonarm.ca

Dear Chief Shirley:

On behalf of Kamloops City Council, thank you for offering the City of Kamloops wildfire fighting assistance by way of personnel and equipment.

The City of Kamloops appreciates every effort to keep our City and surrounding areas safe. We are truly grateful for the help.

Sincerely,

Ken Christian, Mayor City of Kamloops

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September 3, 2021

To: BC Mayors and Councillors

Re: Emergency Paramedics and Dispatchers: Who we are and what we do!

Dear Mayor & City Councillors;

In BC, over 4500 Paramedics and 270 Medical Dispatchers work 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to keep our communities healthy and safe. As leaders in emergency pre-hospital care and public safety, allies in healthcare and professionals in our communities, Paramedics and Medical Dispatchers are a quintessential resource for municipalities in BC.

The field of Paramedicine has evolved from a traditional response of unscheduled emergencies to a robust and multi-disciplined practice encompassing public safety, emergency first response, scheduled and acute transport, and community-based health innovation. As experts in emergency management, Paramedics are uniquely qualified to assist in emergency preparedness, prevention and response culminating in a dynamic and versatile skillset that transcends conventional public sectors. Engaged as a mutual stakeholder in both public safety and healthcare, Paramedics are able to provide relief to healthcare systems and infrastructures operating at or above capacity within BC communities as specialists in emergency response and preventative healthcare.

As the world evolves and continues to adapt to the universal consequences and reality of Covid-19, our leaders continue to manage an ongoing opioid epidemic amidst a global pandemic with the constant threat of seasonal natural disasters (such as heatwaves, wildfires and flooding). A unique set of circumstances requires a unique response and BC Paramedics and Medical Dispatchers are always ready to respond.



What can Paramedics do in YOUR community?

Paramedics in BC provide a variety of services to support community health and safety. Through a multitude of specialties and license levels BC Paramedics are there for you.

- Primary Care Paramedic
- Advanced Care Paramedic
- Critical Care Paramedic

Paramedic Specialists

- Community Paramedics
- Emergency Medical Dispatch and Call-taking

Our resources are available by land, sea or sky.