



Village of Slocan partners with CKISS to map invasive plants

Thanks to a Columbia Basin Trust grant awarded to the Village of Slocan, the Central Kootenay Invasive Species Society (CKISS) will be completing an inventory of priority invasive plants within the Village of Slocan this summer. The information will be used to plan future management activities and support the Village in their efforts to prevent and reduce the impacts of invasive species on their jurisdiction.

Invasive species are recognized globally as one of the greatest threats to native biodiversity, and can have negative impacts on human and livestock health, wildlife habitat, and the regional economy. In particular, knotweeds are considered the highest priority invasive plant in all of British Columbia, and are listed by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) as one of the world's "100 Worst" invasive species.

Some of the priority species that will be mapped include knotweeds, Scotch broom, hoary alyssum, and Himalayan blackberry.

If you see a team of CKISS technicians working around the village with hi-vis vests and tablets, taking photos and collecting data, you will know what they are up to! You may also see the CKISS booth set up at the boat launch this summer, providing information to boaters on aquatic invasive species risks and prevention tips.

For more information on invasive species of concern to our region, and how residents can take action, go to the KISS website at:

www.ckiss.ca

SLOCAN COMMUNITY
Library



NOTICE OF AGM

2021 Annual General Meeting
of the
Slocan Community Library Society

Wednesday, April 28th, 2021 at 7:00 PM
by Zoom.

Contact slocancommunitylibrary@gmail.com for the invitation. There are four Board positions to be filled! Nomination packages may be picked up by members between **March 17th and April 14th** at the library or on our website.

Slocan Community
COVID Library Hours are:
Thurs. 1pm - 5pm | Sun. 11am - 3pm
slocanlibrary.ca



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APRIL 2021 - NEWSLETTER

OFFICE HOURS:
Monday to Thursday from
9:00am to 4:00pm
(Closed from 12 noon to
1:00pm for lunch)
Closed on Fridays.

2021 Council Meeting Schedule

January 11	May 10	September 13
February 8	June 14	October 12 (Tues.)
March 8	July 12	November 8
April 12	August 9	December 13

(Council Meetings start at 7:00 pm – Due to Covid-19 all meetings will be held electronically until further notice.)



APRIL

Missed the last meeting? No problem! Agendas and minutes are available on the Village website:
www.slocancity.com/council

The next Regular Council Meeting will be held on Monday May 10th 2021 at 7:00pm

To attend a public meeting, please use the following link to attend virtually, or by telephone:

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/322545565> or dial in by phone: 1-647-497-9391 Access Code 322-545-565

2021 SPRING CLEAN-UP WEEK

MONDAY APRIL 19th -
THURSDAY APRIL 22nd

Acceptable Items:

- ✓ Furniture - sofas, beds, chairs, etc.
- ✓ Domestic household items
- ✓ Garden Trimmings (must be bundled neatly)
- ✓ Branches separated to run through the chipper (Less than 10cm in diameter)
- ✓ There is a \$10.00 charge for picking Up White Goods (fridges, freezers, stoves, hot water tanks, washers, dryers, etc.)

*MAXIMUM 2 ± ONE CUBIC METER PILES PER HOUSEHOLD

Unacceptable Items:

- X Vehicles
- X Hazardous waste - paint, fuel, used oil, flammables, poisons, thinners, pesticides and fertilizers, etc.
- X Oil tanks
- X Tires
- X Propane tanks
- X Vehicle batteries
- X Electronic Recyclable Materials
- X Wood (ie: plywood, 2x4's, etc.)
- X Construction, Renovation or Demolition Waste of any type

*Tags can be purchased at the Village Office. COVID rules apply, please call the office in advance of pickup.

***MAXIMUM: TWO PILES OF ONE CUBIC METER EACH**

Please put your items in the same location you would normally put your garbage can.

Please don't wait until the last day
to put your items out

Residents are requested to place items for pickup on the boulevard where you would normally place your garbage can. Any items placed on the boulevard after April 22nd will not be removed, and the home owner will be responsible for disposing

Need a Vehicle Removed?

The Village will once again offer FREE vehicle removal during clean up week. Please contact the Village Office to register. We will require the make/model, licence plate, and proof of registration.

There is no cost to the Village or residents for this service.

BUILDING INSPECTION SERVICES

The building inspector is at the Village Office every Thursday from 1pm – 2pm. If you wish to make an appointment, please call 250-355-2277.



SPRINGER CREEK RV PARK & CAMPGROUND

OPENING: Saturday May 1st
CLOSING: Friday October 15th

Base camp for Valhalla Provincial Park, Slocan Lake and the Slocan Valley Rail Trail.

35 Sites - Showers, Full Hookups, Wash Station, Sani-Dump, Wi-Fi, Cell Service

For reservations or information:

TEL: 250-355-2266

EMAIL: campground@villageofslocan.ca

<http://www.slocancity.com/attractions/slocan-lake-rv-park-campground/>



Village of Slocan
Parks Washroom Maintenance Contract
Request for Proposals
RFP-2021-01

The Village is currently accepting applications for the 2021 washroom maintenance contract.

Applications will be accepted until
Monday, April 26 at 3pm.

To view details of this employment opportunity, please visit
www.slocancity.com/SLOCAN-NEWS

The Village of
Slocan



SPRING
CLEAN UP
WEEK

E-WASTE
COLLECTION
EVENT

APRIL
19-22
2021
9AM - 4 PM



To schedule an appointment for drop-off, please contact the Village Office: 355-2277

Get rid of the electronics cluttering up your home, garage or workplace and help the environment at the same time.

*we do not accept household or personal appliances



Electronic Recycling Association (ERA) | info@era.ca | 1.877.9EWASTE | www.era.ca

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VILLAGE OF SLOCAN MEETING NOTES – April 12, 2021

- Michael Zimmer, Okanagan Nation Alliance (ONA), presented to Council on the Springer Creek Fish Habitat Assessment Proposal, and provided an update on the progress of Salmon reintroduction. A letter will be sent to the Okanagan Nation Alliance, in support of their application to the FWCP First Nations Directed grant funding stream, for completion of baseline data on Springer Creek.
- Council resolved to increase the municipal tax rate for 2021 by 3%, and staff were directed to prepare the 2021 Tax Rate Bylaw. Council has applied a 3% increase historically each year, and in 2020 no increase was implemented due to COVID-19. Increasing the tax rate by 3% for the 2021 billing cycle will reflect an increase of approximately \$20 on the average assessed home value of \$196,000.
- A meeting has been scheduled for Monday, April 26th, 2021 at 7:00pm for presentation of the budget, and first readings of the Financial Plan Bylaw and Tax Rate Bylaw.
- Council will proceed with allocating \$188,200 from the Gas Tax Reserve Fund to the 2021 budget, to complete resurfacing of Main Street and the boat launch turnaround.
- The results of the Affordable Housing Project Public Opinion Survey were received. The results have been posted to the Village website, Affordable Housing page.
- The Village agree to be a sponsor for the Slocan Valley Heritage Trail Society's \$5,000 project and application to the Slocan Valley Legacy Fund, for equipment attachments and accessories.
- A letter was received from Kaylee Greig, requesting support for an Earth Day garbage clean-up event. Council approved to support the efforts by offering disposal of the garbage bags from the event.
- A letter will be sent to Katrine Conroy, Minister of Forests, Lands Natural Resource Operations & Rural Development, supporting the District of Sicamous' resolution regarding Aquatic Invasive Species enforcement.
- Council will promote Elections BC's "List of Future Voters" initiative amongst Slocan Valley schools.



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PRESENTATION OF THE ANNUAL BUDGET AND FIVE-YEAR FINANCIAL PLAN

MONDAY, APRIL 26 at 7:00pm

ELECTRONIC MEETING

Those wishing to attend the meeting can do so by using the virtual access link or call-in number below:

VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE:

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/322545565>

CALL-IN ATTENDANCE:

1-647-497-9391 Access Code: 322-545-565

DOG TAGS & POOP BAGS

Funds collected from dog tag purchases go directly back into the cost of purchasing dog posts and poop bags. If you notice a post empty, please call to let us know we've missed it! Thank you for keeping our town clean!

Boating season is on its way!

Just a reminder to users that moorage is not permitted on the waterfront. Please be courteous of other boats being launched or pulled out of the water. The Village has the authority to tow boats that are non-compliant.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- **MAY 2021 – Property Tax Notices will be mailed out.**
- **July 5, 2021 – Property Tax Due Date**

Virtual Meeting Notice:

Pursuant to PHO Order M192, Local Governments are restricted from permitting in-person attendance at public meetings. The Village has arranged an online virtual platform and encourage all residents to attend either online or by telephone!

Attend Online: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/322545565>

Dial in by Telephone:

1-647-497-9391 (Access Code: 322-545-565)

Council would like to remind residents and the general public that anonymous submissions to Council will not be accepted and will not be added to the meeting agenda. Submissions must be signed and dated. Thank you!



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COLUMBIA

HOMEOWNER GRANT APPLICATION

If you qualify for the home owner grant, you must apply each year to receive it. You must apply every year because the previous year's information may be out of date if your residential circumstance has changed. This may affect your qualifications for the grant.

Starting in 2021, residents in municipalities no longer apply for the home owner grant through their municipal office. Everyone now applies directly to the province using a new online system that's easy to use and will process applications faster. **When you apply, we'll need your social insurance number to verify your eligibility.**

Get ready to apply:

1. Wait to receive your property tax notice in the mail. This usually happens around May.
2. Keep your **property tax notice** on hand. It has important numbers you'll need to apply.
3. **Apply online at: www.gov.bc.ca/homeownergrant** Your information will be safe and secure when you apply online. It only takes a few minutes and is faster than calling.
4. If you're unable to apply online, call us at **1-888-355-2700** for assistance.

Apply for the home owner grant when you receive your property tax notice. You may apply early, but applications are processed after tax notices are mailed out.

***Be sure to apply before your property tax due date to avoid late payment penalties.**

SLOCAN HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER CLINIC



Interior Health - Nurse Practitioner

Thursdays, 10am – 4pm Slocan Office : 250-355-2279

New Denver Office : 250-358-7211

Raven Acupuncture, c/o Brendan Murray-Nellis

Wednesdays 10am-1pm, Thursdays-Saturdays 10am-6pm

By appointment only. Slocan Office : 250-355-2279

Direct Line : 250-551-258 ravenacupuncture@gmail.com

Slocan Valley Massage Therapy, c/o Anthony Florio

Sundays, 10am - 6pm, & Tuesdays 11am-7pm, by appt. only.

Direct Line : 250-226-0091 or 778-839-5588

Book Online at: <https://slocanvalleymassage.com>

Please remember to follow Covid-19 Protocols and Procedures at all times. Wash your hands, wear a mask & stay home if you are sick.

www.slocancity.com/wellness-centre



ELECTRONIC RECYCLING COLLECTION ACCEPTED ITEMS



LAPTOPS & COMPUTERS

LAPTOPS/COMPUTERS (MAC AND PC)
DOCKING STATIONS
PARTS (MOTHERBOARDS, HARD DRIVES, ETC.)
KEYBOARDS, MICE, WIRES/CABLES



CONSUMER ELECTRONICS

GAMING CONSOLES
IPODS/IPADS/MP3 PLAYERS
STEREO EQUIPMENT



PRINTERS

PRINTERS (INJET AND LASERJET)
FAX MACHINES
SCANNERS & COPIERS



HANDHELD DEVICES

MOBILE PHONES/IPHONES/SMART PHONES
TABLETS



MISC DEVICES

PHONE SYSTEMS
CD/DVD & CARDS
SERVERS (RACKS, STANDS, ALL BRANDS)
SOFTWARE (OPERATING/EDITING/DESIGN)
SWITCHES AND ROUTERS
LAB EQUIPMENT
DISK ARRAYS

No household or personal appliances

Keep up to date on Village business by attending regular Council meetings, or by visiting our website or Facebook page:

250.355.2277 | www.slocancity.com | www.facebook.com/villageofslocan

REMINDER: ITEMS SUBMITTED FOR INCLUSION ON THE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA **MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN 12-NOON, 7 DAYS IN ADVANCE** OF THE MEETING. LATE ITEMS WILL **NOT** BE ACCEPTED AND WILL BE INCLUDED ON THE NEXT MEETING AGENDA.