# Village of Nakusp



Municipal Newsletter
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### **Finance Department**

All property taxes must be paid in full to avoid becoming taxes in arrears and charged daily interest. Any unpaid utility invoice that remain unpaid after December 31st will be treated as taxes in arrears and will be charged daily interest.

All payments can be made in person at the Village Office until December 22, 2023. Online banking payments can be made until the deadline of December 31st.

## **Preparing for Snow - We Need Your Help!**

Village Public Works is preparing for snow season and we need your help to clear the boulevards. Please remove any trailers, RVs, or vehicles by November 20, 2023. We need them cleared to ensure that we have enough room to pile snow and to not plow you in for the winter. Anything left on the boulevards after this date may be removed by the Village at your expense.



## **Council Meeting Dates**

Regular Council meetings will be held twice in November and only once in December to allow for a holiday break. Council meetings will be held on the following dates:

Monday November 6th, 2023 - Committee of the Whole

Wednesday November 15, 2023

Monday November 27th, 2023

Monday December 11, 2023

Council starts promptly at 6:30 PM at the Emergency Services Building located at 300 8th Ave NW. All Council meetings are available for virtual attendance.

### **Short-Term Rentals**

All Short-Term Vacation Rental (STR) operations require a valid business license from the Village. Please get an application form from the Village Office or Website. Beginning January 1, 2024 the Village will begin enforcing the new regulations for STRs found in the Nakusp Zoning Bylaw, No. 729:

- ⇒ In zones R1, R2, R3, C2, C5, and RU-1, a property can have one STR in a secondary suite if the primary residence is occupied long-term.
- ⇒ In LD1 and C1 zones, one STR is permitted: for up to 90 days a year in a primary residence, or year-round in a secondary suite if the primary residence is occupied long-term.

## **Holiday Closures and Service Interruptions**

#### Office & Facility Closures:

The Village Office and Operations will be closed on Monday November 13, reopening on Tuesday November 14th.

The Nakusp & District Sports Complex will be closed on Saturday November 11th and on Monday November 13th.

The Village Office will be closed December 25 to January 1st. Reopening on Tuesday January 2nd for regular operational hours.

The Nakusp & District Sports Complex will be closed December 25 & 26th, 2023 as well as January 1st 2024.

Operations Department will be closed December 25 & 26th, 2023 as well as January 1st 2024.

#### **Garbage Pick-Up Dates:**

Monday November 13th garbage will be picked up on Tuesday November 14th, 2023..

Monday December 25th garbage will be picked up on Wednesday December 27th, 2023, along with Wednesday's regular route.

Monday January 1st garbage will be picked up on Tuesday January 2nd, 2024.

### **Nakusp Hot Springs**

Winter Wednesday are back! The first Wednesday of November to the last Wednesday of March LOCALS (proof or resident required) receive a discount entry every Wednesday.

Pools are open 7 days a week including holidays for regular hours 9:30 am to 9:30 pm with the exception of December 24th and 25th when the operational hours will be 9:30 am to 5:00 pm.

Moonlight dips will happen during winter! Once a month on the full moon we will be open until midnight:

• Nov 27, 2023 and Dec 26, 2023

RELAX REFRESH RETURN

## **Holiday Ice Rentals**

During the holidays the Village offers private ice rentals for \$40.00 an hour plus GST.

Holiday ice will be available from December 23rd to 29th, 2023 and January 2nd - 5th, 2024.

To reserve your Holiday Ice please contact the Village Office at 250.265.3689 or by email info@naksup.com.



#### Nakusp FireSmart

The Nakusp FireSmart program is looking to build wildfire resiliency in our community year-round. Our province has endured the worst wildfire season on record this past summer and even though winter weather is coming we call all continue to do our part by working on our yards and homes in the off-season. Fall is a great time of year to be out in the yard cleaning up combustible debris.

For those who have already had a home assessment and are working towards a rebate, don't forget that you must submit your rebate forms to your wildfire mitigation specialist before November 15<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to learn more or have any questions, please get in touch with Noel Ballard at 250 265 1952, email

<u>firesmart@nakusp.com</u> or visit www.firesmartbc.ca.

## A Message from the Fire Chief

Did you know that a burning permit is needed within the Village limits to burn small piles of lumber, brush, slash or other woody debris in the backyard of the property? Permits are free and can be picked up at the Emergency Service Building from

It is unlawful to burn garbage, grass and leaves.

the Fire Chief or at the Village Office.

A fireworks permit is required if you plan on displaying fireworks. Permits must be arranged with the Fire Chief at his office in the Emergency Service Building.

It is that time of year for those who burn firewood as a heat source in your home; please ensure your wood stove and chimney are cleaned and inspected annually.

#### **Reminders from Operations**

Our Public Works and Arena Parks Departments have been amalgamated into Operations. This has been done to provide more efficiencies in our operations to better serve the community.

With the winter season fast approaching, residents are reminded there is no parking on Broadway between the hours of 11pm and 7 am and no parking of vehicles in alleys for snow removal.

Downtown businesses and residents with sidewalk fronting their properties that use ice melting products on the sidewalks are reminded to only use products that are safe for concrete. **Please DO NOT use the following products as they will damage concrete**:

- ammonium nitrate;
- ammonium sulfate; or,
- ammonium phosphate.

Please remember that all household garbage for pick-up must be in Village bags, set on the avenues, and be placed in an animal proof bin with a lid. For more information on what we do pick up, please visit our website. Crews will not pick up bags:

- That have been compromised by animals;
- that weigh over 50lbs, or placed on the avenues not in a bin with a lid.